FALMOUTH, Massachus. setts (AFP) — A constitution on worker was charged with threatening to kill President Bill Clinton after he told ticket agent he was traveling to Martha's Vineyard to carry out the assassination, police said, Glenn Armstrong, 26, of Uxbridge, Massachussett, was taken into custody Monday at a ferry terminal that offers passenger service to the island where Mr. Clinton and family are vacationing. Police said he told a ticker to the told a ticker to the said he told a ticker to the told a ticker agent he needed to kill the president. The self-empkyed worker was charged with threatening to committ mur. der. said Secret Service agent Mike Johnston who refused to say whether Mr. Arm. strong was armed. White House spokeswoman Dee Dee Myers confirmed the

weather apart from going out for dinner at the home of author William Styron. Civil rights heroine Parks assaulted

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not comment further. Mr.

Clinton spent most of Mon-

day indoors due to bad

DETROIT, Michigan (AFP) - Rosa Parks, whose act of defiance on a bus earned her the title of "mother of the civil rights movement" was assaulted in her home Tuesday by a man who broke mo her home, police said. Ms. Parks, 81, was treated for facial injuries sustained in the attack and was later released from hospital. She was upstairs in her home during the evening when she heard a noise downstairs and went to investigate, police said. Ms. Parks found a man recking of alcohol on the premises. He told her someone else had knocked down the door and that he was there to protest her. But he then hit her inder the many state of the s her. But he then hit her inde face and fled with about 5%. No arrest had been made by late Tuesday. Ms. Parks was 42 when she challenged the repressive U.S. racial seeregation laws of the 1950s by refusing to give up her scal on a Montgomery, Alabama. bus when a white man asked her to. An active member of the National Association for the Advancement of Coloured People, Ms. Parks was jailed, a measure which trig-gered a year-long boycott of the bus line and the eventual desegregation of the buses. Her act was an inspiration to

Solzhenitsyn rejects prize

many others in the civil rights

for blacks movement over the

Toistoy Prize get 10 million rubles (\$5,000).

California State Senate allows knives in schools

(AP) - A bill to allow chile dren of the Sikh religion to wear ceremonial daggers 10 school won unanimous pas sage this week in the Califo nia State Senate. The bill. passed on a 30-0 vote Mon day, must be signed by the California governor before becoming law. The daggers known as Kirpans, are prohi bited under state law forbid ding knives with hlades left ger than 21/2 inches (6.3 cen timetres) on school grounds The hill would allow studen! to carry knives that are par of a recognised religious

Arafat, Rabin win Spanish peace prize

OVIEDO, Spain (AP) — Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel were awarded Spain's Prince of Asturias peace prize Friday for helping end decades of conflict in the Middle East. Considered the Spanish-speaking world's equivalent of the Nobel Peace Prize, the Prince of Asturias Award for International Cooperation went to the two men because they "opened a new path towards peace in the Middle East." This is a new alliance between old enemies who accept the need for peace for their respective peoples." the prize jury said. Mr. Arafat and Mr. Rabin first met last September in Washington to launch peace moves that resulted in the May 4 agreement on self-rule for palestinians in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank and the withdrawal of most Israeli forces from the two areas, which Israel had occupied since 1967. Past prize winners include former president Frederick W. de Klerk of South Africa, African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela, the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees and former Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev. The award ceremony with Prince Felipe of Asturias. the heir to the Spanish throne, takes place in the fall.



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Regent calls for further study of decision to increase school fees

By a Jordan Times

Assad, Hrawi meet

last year.

AMMAN - His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan. the Regent, Friday asked the arrest of an unnamed man at government repeal to further study a decision it took last week to increase students' contributions to their schools from JD 3 to JD 5 per student per scholastic year. Acting Prime Minister Thougan Hindawi responded by saying contributions will only be collected as of next year since the procedures for its regulations have still to be worked out. Those students who have already paid the increased amount will be refunded the difference said Mr. Hindawi, former minister of educa-

The hike in the contribution raised significant debate in the country with many opposed to the increase while others found the measure

The Regent told the government that while be believed the people should con-tribute towards the building

President Hafez Assad and

Lebanese President Elias

Hrawi met Friday to discuss

the Middle East peace pro-

cess ahead of an expected

U.S. Secretary of State War-

Mr. Hrawi, accompanied by Prime Minister Rafik

Hariri and Parliament Speak-

er Nabib Berri, drove to Damascus from Beirut.

The Were greeted at the border by Syrian Vice Presi-dent Abdul Halim Khaddam

and Prime Minister

Damacus June 14 to discuss

peace moves with Mr. Assad

a week ahead of Mr. Christ-

opher's fourth shuttle mission

to the region this year seek-

ing to revive stalled peace

negotiations between Israel.

said that Beirut and Damas-

cus feel they must coordinate

their strategies since the PLO

and Jordan separately signed

The Lehanese media has

Syria and Lebanon.

IAEA to

Mr. Hrawi last visited

Mahmoud Zou'bi.

ren Christopher.

diplomatic mission by

and maintenance of schools. decisions should be studied carefully before being implemented. Prince Hassan was responding to people's complaint during a visit he made on Friday to the Governorate of Ajloun.

Some parents told the Jordan Times that families with several children living on one, low income would find the additional fee an added hardship. They argued that the government should first look into ways of increasing the salaries of these lowincome earners before imposing added financial burdens on them.

According to Minister of Education Abdul Raouf

Rawabdeh, he had recommended that the increase in the school contribution be studied further. Mr. Rawabdeh told the Jordan Times Friday evening that the Crown Prince's directive was a measure designed to maintain the continuity of the

Egypt signed a U.S.-

brokered peace treaty with

Israel in 1979. Syria and

Lebanon are now the only

Arab confrontation states

still technically at war with

Sources close to Mr.

Hariri, speaking on condition

of anonymity, said the Beirut

government expects Mr.

Christopher to consult Leba-

non on his forthcoming trip

because be feels the time has

come for it to be more in-

volved in the peace process.

Mr. Christopher excluded
Lebanon from his itinerary in

his four missions earlier this

year, apparently hecause

Damascus calls the shots

Friday's Damascus meet-

ing — attended by Harm, Bern, K baddam and Zou'hi

coordination hefore Mr.

Christopher's flies to the re-

The U.S. official has

gion later this month.

- attended by Hariri, Berri,

was likely to centre on

ministry's procedures in collecting these funds in a demo-

cratic manner. The minister explained that Jordan offers free public school education to primary and secondary school students. Only at the secondary school level are students required to purchase their textbooks, be added.

In a statement to the Jordan News Agency, Petra, earlier Friday, Mr. Rawabdeh explained that the school contribution asked of students each scholastic year is used to improve the school environment and thus contrihutes to the sense of social solidarity embodied in the country's educational system.

He told Petra that needy students would receive a 20 per cent exemption on their contributions.

Schools reopened on Aug. 27 to 1.4 million students, according to the Ministry of Education. Of that total 120,795 students were entering school for the first time.

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Israel which bave been stale-

mated since February. The

Lebanese have stressed they

will only resume talks when

Damascus wants a com-

plete withdrawal from the

Golan Heights, which Israel

captured in 1967 and annexed

in 1981. Israel bas offered

only a partial and phased

pullback over eight years. Damascus, which still insists

on a comprehensive Arab-

Israeli settlement and not hi-

lateral accords, rejects that. Mr. Assad and Mr. Hrawi

were also expected to discuss

ways to counter what they see

as efforts to divide Syria and

An Israeli newspaper re-ported last month that Leha-

which will administer the self-

rule zones until parliamen-tary elections can be held.

dragging its feet in im-plementing the peace accords

with Mr. Arafat seemingly

unable to do anything about

Al Baath reiterated that

"No one can impose on

Syria settlements or solutions

that do not restore full

national Arab rights and

maintain Arab dignity," it

Another government daily,

Al Thawra, warned that

peace cannot prevail in the Middle East without the full

restoration of all Arab land

Israel have been stalled since

East war and annexed in

Syria's negotiations with

occupied by Israel.

Syria will not be dragged into making a separate deal with

Israel.

In the meantime, Israel is

ria does.

His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Regent, surrounded by Ajloun citizens after performing prayers (Petra photo)



A policeman and a secret service agent (right) search two pedestrians in front of the confer-

ence hall (background) which will host the U.N. World Conference as of Monday.

2 killed, hundreds arrested in feud over Cairo conference Egyptian president urges Muslim leaders to attend

CAIRO (Agencies) — Police on Friday shot dead three Muslim militants suspected of killing a Spanish teenager in southern Egypt last week.

non was ready to end bostili-ties with Israel and normalise police said. relations along the lines of the July 25 declaration signed The three who were suspected of killing a 13-year-old by Jordan and Israel that Spanish boy in an attack on a ended 46 years of hostilities tourist bus last Friday in a between the two countries. dawn shootout at an apartment block in Sohag, 500 kilometres south of Cairo,

> Police surprised the militants during a search for a gunman who killed two guards at a church overnight in Qafat, ahout 450 kilometres south of here.

Twenty-one more militants linked to last Friday's tour bus attack were also arrested in southern Egypt in an op-eration which police said smashed a new cell set up to carry out attacks.

Police added that they found guns, ammunition and communication equipment like fax macbines in the apartment building.

Last Friday Muslim militants amhushed a tourist hus travelling through Qena pro-vince with 11 Spanish tourists, killing the teenager and wounding four others, including his parents.

The outlawed militant Gamaa Islamiyya on Saturday claimed the murder of the teenager and warned foreigners to stay away from the U.N. World Population Conference in Egypt's capit-

Pablo Usan was the first tourist to be killed by militants since a German woman was shot and fatally wounded on board of a Nile cruise boat on March 4.

The warning from Gamaa came after a lull of several months following widespread arrests.

The conference, which is being held here from Sept. 5 to 13, will be attended by up to 20,000 delegates from 155 countries, including several

Meanwhile the Egyptian police have arrested hundreds of people as part of efforts to prevent militant attacks at the conference,

wave of arrests began Aug. Spanish tourist and one policeman in separate attacks in southern Egypt.

Wafd said that 417 escaped convicts and 221 suspected "political activists" had been President Hosni Muharak advised Muslim nations they

In an interview published hy the London-based Al Hayat newspaper on Friday, Mr. Mubarak urged Muslim countries to attend to get a chance to oppose clauses in a draft document they feel violate Islamic teachings and

oppose, he argued.

If there are some items in the proposed document with ambiguities, that could be interpreted in many ways, wouldn't it be in the interest of the Islamic nation for their representatives to attend. oppose and stand up to any. interpretation that is against religion and the Islamic Shar-Mr. Mubarak asked.

"This way they (Muslims) will be a strong force that can say 'no (to the draft) because it is against religion and is unacceptable, and then the whole world's public opinion will hear the Muslims are opposing it like the Christians

and the Jews." "If we do not attend we ery clause of the (document) that violates the Islamic Sharia no matter how minor the violation," Mr. Mubarak added.

Saudi Arabia, Sudan and Lehanon have announced they will stay away from the conference opening on Monday. Egyptian Islamic militants have warned foreigners not to attend.

Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto will arrive here Sunday to attend the conference despite calls from fundamentalist groups at home to stay away, the Pakistani embassy in Cairo said Friday. Ms. Bhutto will be accompanied by a high-level delegation comprising minis-ters and MPs," the embassy said in a statement.

During her three-day visit, Ms. Bhutto will address the conference and meet with President Mnbarak and other Egyptian and U.N. leaders, the statement said.

On Thursday, hundreds of supporters of Pakistan's main fundamentalist party Jamaat-e-Islami (JI) beld a peaceful rally opposing Bhutto's participation in the conference.

"If she refuses to listen and insists on going to the conference, she bas no right to be the prime minister of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan," JI Vice-President Ghafoor Ahmad told the raily.

The party said the conference violates Islamic principles and advocates "abortion, homosexnality and extra-marital sex."

Rallies by Muslims in Karachi and in the Bangladesb capital Dhaka came shortly after more than 100,000 Roman Catholics in Manila protested, against abortion, and other topics to be raised at the conference.

Leaders of rival religions have given politicians the same message and won con-cessions. "It is a kind of

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U.S. may invade Haiti any time: Boutros Ghali

UNITED NATIONS (AFP) — The United States has the right to intervene militarily in Haiti at any time, without issuing an ultimatum, to oust the ruling junta, U.N. Secretary General Boutros Ghali said Friday.

In an interview with AFP, Mr. Boutros Ghali said the U.N. mandate on Haiti allows U.S. officials to lanneb an invasion

when they want." Mr. Boutros Ghali said that the U.N. role in Haiti is on hold for now "unless there is a new resolution." noting that the U.N. had abandoned its diplomatic efforts on Haiti.

The United Nations has given a mandate to a group of states to act and it is up to them to decide," the U.N. chief said.

Suggestions of a possible U.S. invasion of Haiti have increased after the failure of a U.N. mission last month aimed at mediation. Several U.N. resolutions have urged the military to step aside and allow the restoration of democratic rule, and the latest authorises a U.S.-led force to remove the junta.

The army toppled President Jean-Bertrand Aristide in September 1991. Mr. Boutros Ghali said

be was prepared to und... take another diplomatic initiative if the situation in Haiti changes, adding, "the U.N. should "Iways be prepared to intervene to avoid the use of force.

U.S. Deputy Secretary of State Strobe Talbott said Thursday that even if the transition is peaceful U.S. troops would be sent to Haiti to form a large part of an international force protecting Mr. Aristide and the restored government.

Once order has been restored, a U.N.-led multinational force would replace the initial invasion force.

Asked ahout turning over authority to the United States for the Haiti mission, Mr. Boutros Ghali said the U.N. bas its limits.

"We would have liked to bandle these operations ourselves, but if you have neither the financial nor military means, one must at least have the wisdom to turn over the mandate to a group of states that are prepared," he said.

Mubarak rules out reconciliation with Iraq

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak was quoted Friday as saying be did not believe reconciliation with Iraq was possible as long as Saddam

Hussein remains in power. In an interview with the newspaper, Mr. Mubarak also denied reports that he was working with the United Arah Emirates to try to end Iraq's isolation.

Iraq has been ostracised by the West and much of the Arab World since its August 1990 invasion of Kuwait. Egypt was part of the U.S.-led coalition that drove it out

the following spring.

Asked if reconciliation was possible while President Saddam remains the leader of Iraq, Mr. Muharak told the paper: "It seems so to me that nobody accepts to deal

He added that Gulf states fear that if Egypt reconciled with Iraq, President Saddam "would repeat what he did in

Arab newspapers said earlier this week that Egypt and the United Arab were developing a joint initiative to repair Arab relations, including those with

The reports said that it was the main topic of a meeting Aug. 20 ln Geneva between Muharak and the United Arab Emirates' leader. Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan.

In the Al Hayat interview, Mr. Muharak acknowledged that he had spoken with Sheikh Zayed about Arab reconciliation in general." He noted that he also discussed the issue recently with King Fahd of Saudi Arabia.

tions have all created doubts

in the minds of speculators.

traded at the market last

week witnessed a rise com-

pared to the week before.

Some JD 10.6 million in

shares were traded over a

five-day period during last

week, while during the week

before, JD 9.9 million in

shares were traded. This re-flects a rise of 7.1 per cent in

the volume of shares traded

shares, 3.8 million shares

were traded in 6,215 con-

tracts. The daily trading aver-

age totalled 2.1 million shares

as compared to 2.5 million

The services sector occu-

pied the first spot in terms of

the total value of shares

traded during the week. A total of JD 4.33 million in

shares of services firms were

traded accounting for 40.8

per cent of the total number.

The industrial sector was

second with JD 3.91 shares of

industrial companies traded,

accounting for 36.8 per cent.

The banking sector was third with JD 2.35 million

In terms of the number of

at the market.

the week before.

The number of shares

Share prices drop at AFM Jordanian-Palestinian rela-

By Khaled Zubeidi Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — The share price ndex at the Amman Financial Market (AFM) has retreated 3.1 points (2.1 per cent) ast week as the market witnessed a series of losses. Accumulated losses since the beginning of the year and

Industrial shares suffered the largest loss as they fell 12.53 per cent since the be-

until last week were 7.2 per

ginning of the year.

A series of political and financial factors weighed down on the Jordanian shares beginning with the obstacles facing the Israeli-Jordanian peace talks and ending with the proposals to amend the income tax law which stipulated taxing profits on share

dealings carried out by companies. Dealers at the market have cautioned against big investors leaving the AFM as well as banks' unwillingness to en-

ter into new deals. Major dealers whose portfolios are estimated at millions of Jordanian dinars bave started a gradual withdrawal from the market with

major sales on Wednesday. One dealer told the Jordan Times it was not the right time to withdraw from the market but that losses that might be incurred later "could prove intolerable."

The AFA has suffered administrative decisions and financial procedures imposed hy the Central Bank of Jorlowed by the Oslo accords, the Jordanian-Israeli peace talks and signs of strain in worth of shares traded, a percentage of 22.1 per cent. The insurance sector was last with only JD 28,000 traded at the market. Meanwhile, the general price index dropped to 147.1 points compared to 150.2 the week be-

A comparison between the two weeks shows that share prices of eight companies have risen, while the share ped. The share prices of only five companies remained un-

BEXT two decades.

MOSCOW (AP) - Alexan der Solzhenitsyn has refused a literature prize from a Russian nationalist organisation. saying other candidates need the award more, the Konsomolskaya Pravda newspaper reported. The Tolstroy Prize was created in 1992 by members of the nationalist Writers' Union of Russia and the Golos Publishing House. Mr. Sulzhenitsyn, who returned to his native Russia in May after 20 years of exile abroad. has tried to step clear of political groups since his re-turn. Previous Tolstoy Prize winners include such activist nationalist authors as Vasily Belov and Yuri Bondarevbut Pyotr Aleshkin, chairman of the jury, said contenders were not judged on their political views. "Solzhenits\" is convinced that the other candidates need the prize more than he does. said Aleshkin. Winners of the

SACRAMENTO. California practice.

maintain team in iraq

MANAMA (R) — The Vienna-based International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) intends to keep a two-member team in Iraq to oversee long-term monitor-ing of Iraqi facilities related to its banned weapons systems, a U.N. official said on

"It's our intention to leave a group of two people on continuous duty in Iraq, operating out of the Baghdad monitoring and verification system," Garry Dillon said in Bahrain after a visit to Baghdad at the head of a 16member inspection team.

We will have continuous piesence based on two peo-ple, and then from time to me we will send a group of people to do specific tasks," We are in a position where we have assembled the

resources we need for ongoing monitoring and verification," Mr. Dillon said. U.N. nuclear inspection teams have installed cameras in two Iraqi industrial en-gineering establishments as part of a programme to set up long-term monitoring of Iraqi facilities, a prerequisite to the easing or lifting of the oil and

(Continued on page 3) sought in vain to revive peace Syria criticises PLO

accords with Israel over the talks between Syria and

DAMASCUS, Syria (AP) — Syria Friday renewed its cri-ticism of the Palestine Li-beration Organisation (PLO) for signing separate peace accords with Israel which it said are flawed and weaken the Arah cause.

"These agreements have realised some Israeli dreams. but they fall sbort in providing peace, security and stability in the region," said the Al Baath daily, mouthpiece of

the ruling Baath Party.
The newspaper said that the PLO-Israel accords have barmed the Arab cause and undermined its negotiating positions in the U.S. sponsored Middle East peace talks that began in October

The PLO and Israel signed a landmark accord last September after months of secret negotiations in Norway. The agreement provides for limited Palestinian autonomy in the West Bank and

who have persistently sought a comprehensive peace settlement rather than hilateral The Syrian criticism came as PLO Chairman Yasser

February, despite U.S. efforts to break the stale-Gaza Strip. Damascus wants a com-That undercut the Syrians, plete Israeli withdrawal from the Golan Heights, a strategic plateau in southwestern Syria which Israel captured in the 1967 Middle

Arafat is facing growing Palestinian discontent with We are not in a hurry, his authoritarian leadership Al Thawra declared. "Our and his failure to secure funds sovereignty over the Golan desperately needed to get his Palestine National Authority, Heights is not subject to any police said Friday.
Police told AFP that the

29, a day before militants shot dead the 13-year-old

Police quoted by the opposition newspaper Al arrested in the past week.

would be the losers if they boycotted the U.N. confer-

> Their presence will make it harder for resolutions to be passed on matters they

are the losers... if we attend, we will be able to stand firm and strong and object to ev-

Palestinian refugees

AMMAN (Petra) — Refugee notables from three Palesti-

nian refugee camps in and around Amman Thursday voiced their absolute support for His Majesty King Hus-

sein's policy at the national, pan-Arab and international

levels, and lauded the King's

untiring efforts to lay down

the foundations for a demo-

cratic society characterised by freedom, justice and re-

Speaking at a rally held at Al Wihdat refugee camp and attended by Lower House of Parliament Speaker Taher

Masri, representatives of the

Palestinian refugees said the proclamation of King Hussein as King of Jordan on Aug. 8, 1952 was a distinguished historic event.

Bahjat Shihab of the

Wihdat Club said that King

Hussein has dedicated his life

to the building of Jordan

where freedom and human

Hamadeh Fara'neh, presi-

dent of Al Hussein Camp's Youth Centre said that King

dignity are preserved.

spect for human rights.

By Mariam M. Shahin Jordan Times Staff Reporter

JERICHO - It has been only three months since troduced to the West Bank town a few kilometres west of the Jordan River hut politicial bargaining and campaigning has already begun among more than a dozen political groups expected to vie for power in a post-election Palestinian National Authority (PNA).

Businessmen as well as politicians now travel through the West Bank bargaining over political favours rather than the price of vegetables or real

Fatch. FIDA and pro-Jordan politicians as well as ani-Oslo accord groups such as Hamas and the product Front for the Liperaces of Palestine (PFLP), here all begun to lobby community leaders. youth and the business community.

No one quite bethat the elections, which PNA officials say are set for Dec. 15, will take place on time. But local politicians are preparing for the first elections in recent his-

West Bank and Gaza

MARSEILLE, France (Agencies) — More than

1.000 people, most of them

France-based Algerians or

French nationals of Algerian

origin, docked here on Friday

after being deported from

The 1.100 people, who arrived from Oran, Algeria,

aboard the Algerian car ferry

Zeralda, were expelled from

Morocco amid fears of the

spread of Islamic fun-

damentalist violence from

Tipaza, left Oran for Ali-

cante at the same time, with

have been expelled from

Morocco since the murder of

two Spanish tourists in Mar-

French police were on Fri-

people, mostly French

day still questioning 21 out of

Algerians and Moroccans,

rounded up on Thursday at a

Moroccan request made via

Interpol, in connection with

area and at Orleans, were

connected to four French

noti. 22's of Algerian and

Moroccan origin arrested in

Morocco for the murders. In-

terior Minister Charles Pas-

literature was also seized by

police during the arrests. Mr.

French Algerian Stephane Ait Idir. 22, and French

Moroccan Redouane Ham-

madi, 24, who live in the

Paris suburb of La Cour-

neuve, and Kamal Benakcha.

A fourth Pansian, French

Moroccan Abdesslam

Guerouac, was arrested in

Morocco imposed a visa

requirement on Algerian

nationals last week after the

killings. Algeria closed its

land border in retaliation and

who lives in Orleans.

Islamic fundamentalist

The 27 were linked to

que said.

Morocco.

visas.

Pasqua said.

The 17, arrested in the Paris

rakesh on August 24.

another 1,000 on hoard.

Another car ferry, the

A total of 10,000 tourists

velopment and employment and greater personal and political freedoms.

While the former has been on the mind of people for decades the latter has become a real issue for debate since the PNA took over some three months because several clearly undemocratic decisions have been made by PNA President Yasser Arafat.

Two newspapers have been closed because they were not deemed sufficiently loyal, while the local broadcasting corporation "has become like that of all other Arab countries -- the first ten items are dedicated to what the leader did today," said Nasser Abu Anyeh, a 22-year-old Al Quds University student who spent three years in Israeli jails because of his pro-Fateh loyalties.

Local Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) that were headed by people now close to Mr. Arafat or part of his government have become appendages of the PNA against their own bet-

Palestinian Human Rights Information Centre iPHR!Ci was formerly associated with with Faisal Husseini's Research Centre

Algerian deportees from

Morocco arrive in France

on East Jerusalem. After Husseini became a member of the Arafat government, the PHRIC attempted to stay an independent organisation, but Mr. Arafat refused. The organisation's head, Jan Ahu Shakra duly

resigned in protest.
Withe exception of traditional political leaders most Palestinian politicians who are not associated with the PNA have little financial power and thus have great difficulty in "making things happen." But political programmes advocating democratic freedoms, power sharing between political groups and a legal framework guaranteeing due process in law and government are all on the political agenda of parties such as the Palestine Peoples Party (PPP), FIDA, the PFLP and even Hamas.

"Most people in the West Bank and Gaza are looking for a mechanism by which Arafat could be given an honorary position - like that of the president of Israel — something purely symbolic with which he can kiss people and shake hands but have no real power," said one long time human rights activist in Ramallah.

"Political organisations are preparing themselves



When Palestinian students start, school for the Authority will be in charge of their education first time in 27 years, the Palestinian National

for a world that is very different from the one the PNA is setting up in Gaza," said a PPP activist

in Ramallah. We don't want anything had to happen to him. We want to promote him to an 'above-it-all" post in which he will be happy and our lives are allowed to develop," said the PPP activ-

While ruling Gaza, in particular, is a matter of concern for most of the political groups active in

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) --Iran's president Friday de-

fended his record after more

than five years in office,

saying the country had be-

come self-sufficient to an ex-

tent that even U.S. economic

sanctions cannot hurt it,

The broadcast, monitored

in Cyprus, quoted Mr. Hashemi Rafsanjani as

saying that "the situation to-

day is such that even if the

entrance gates to the country were shut it would create no

He said it was "this reality

that banishes the thought of

economic sanctions against

Iran from the mind of arro-

Iranian leaders commonly

use that epithet to refer to the

Mr. Rafsanjani, speaking in a sermon at Tehran Uni-

versity, said the pace of post-

war reconstruction was good.

Hashemi Rafsanjani said.

bombing that killed 96 peo-

ple, sent Iran a conciliatory

letter on Wednesday, eight

days after it dropped charges

against the four for lack of

ministry has sent us a letter of apology." Mr. Rafsanjani

said in a mass prayer sermon.

"It does not contain the

"The Argentine foreign

evidence.

Despite his defence, Ira-

real difficulty.

Tehran Radio reported.

the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, it is in the political and demographic centres of the West Bank - Nablus, Ramallah, Hebron and Jerusalem that most hope to plant the seeds of political change and development.

They are the traditional centres for most Palestinian politicians planning gov-ernment and business fu-

No one is quite sure when the PNA will take

his administration. He won a

second four-year term in

June last year - against lack-

luster candidates — with a

promise to galvanise the

monbund economy and im-

prove living conditions for Iran's 60 million population.

prices last winter sent prices

tumbling to less than \$13 a

barrel. Oil exports are the

mainstay of the Iranian eco-

The slump and foreign

debts of more than \$20 billion

have put increased economic

pressures on Iranians, most

All this year, the govern-

ment has been plagued by

unrest believed to have been

inspired by public frustration

In February, during

celebrations marking the 15th

anniversary of the 1979 Isla-

mic revolution, Mr. Rafsan-

jani was the target of an

with the economy.

of whom live in poverty.

But the collapse of oil

Rafsanjani defends achievements

over the West Bank or East Jerusalem, but many poli-tical and husiness leades are already preparing for the time that will bring greater self-rule.

Eight branches of Jordan-based banks have opened up in different West Bank towns and cities in the past month. Almost all are offering wideranging loans for small business ventures as well as much-needed housing pro-

according to Iranian officials.

Last month violence was

reported in the northwestern

city of Qazvin, where pro-

tests went on a rampage,

trashing shops, banks and government buildings.

Washington has sought.

with little success, to per-

suade its allies to isolate Iran

on the grounds it allegedly

sponsors international terror-

Iran has said that despite the rhetoric the United States

remains among the top

Mr. Rafsanjani was elected president in July 1989, a few

weeks after Ayatollah Ruhol-

lah Khomeini, founder of the

Islamic revolution, died of

At that time, Iran also was

recovering from the 1980-88 war with Iraq, which caused

about one million casualties

on both sides and demolished

Iran's military and key eco-nomic installations.

buyers of its oil.

'Trilateral committee met in Washington'

partment spokesman Michael McCurry has confirmed that the U.S-Israeli-Jordanian trilateral economic committee held what he called an "infor-mal meeting" in Washington

as a follow-up to expert-level talks held recently in Jordan and said they were designed to build on previous discusment, McCurry said. 'I don't . want to get into the specifics while they continue to talk," he added. Jordan was represented by

Throne was a dear occasion

to all Jordanians and said the

residents of Al Hussein Camp were jubilant for joining the two other camps in celebrating this occasion. Mr.

Fara'neh, a prominent col-umnist, said the peace pro-cess that the King is

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being of Jordan, the Greater Israel Project and the Jordan

is-Palestine Israeli solution The creation of the Palenian authority in Gaza Jericho, to be spread to

occupied West Bank

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Fara'neh said.

Israeli plan to establish

greater Israel on the entire

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Palestinians, despite its un-just conditions and provi-

sions, has also foiled the

alternative land project.

It confirmed that Palestine is

the land of Palestinians and

Jordan is the land of Jorda-

Fayez Tarawneb, ambassa-dor to the United States, while the Israelis were led by Elyakim Rubenstein, head of Israel's team for bilateral negotiations with Jordan. Dennis Ross, U.S. coordinator for the Middle East peace

Fundamentalists destroy

and automatic weapons hurst into a mosque in the centre of Aden and destroyed the mausoleum of a leading Yemeni religious figure.

The militiamen fired in the Aidarus, a clerie who died

The mosque's administra-tor, Abdul Qader Al Aidarus, told AFP that the gunmen

other districts of the port city the same day. Aden, the former stron-

ghold of the southern Temer ni Socialist Party, became a centre of Islamić fun all and and damentalist activity after it to President Ali Abdullah Saleb on July 7.

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members. The group, which has several training camps in north Yemen, has also been accused of carrying out a. string of bomh attacks in 1992.

Moroccan Jews celebrate links with old country

TEL AVIV (AFP) - Israel's 450,000 Jews of Moroccan origin celebrated Friday the diplomatic hreakthrough with Rahat as a chance to renew links with the "old

"It's an historic day which gives us the opportunity to rediscover our roots," said Ahaarnon Nahmias, president of the Association of

"Our happy childhood memories of a time when we lived as brothers with the Moroccan people have come back to us today," he said.

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Israel and Morocco announced Thursday that they were to open liaisonoffices in Tel Aviv and: Rabat, in a first step towards establishing full diplomatic relations.

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ADEN, Yemen (AFP) -Muslim fundamentalist militiamet ransacked Yemeni city of Aden on Friday, charging they, were un-Islamic, eyewitnesses said. Dozens of bearded meo

armed with anti-tank rockets

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some 400 years ago. Security officers arrived on the scene too late.

(holy war) militia.

belonged to the Islamic Jihad Police said Jihad members

on Aden hotels used by fore-

country.

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DEPARTURES

(Terminal 1)

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said Moroccans would need France this week deported 20 alleged Islamic militants to Burkina Faso for allegedly

town of Oran. Rene Bouhanna, who own-No one claimed responsibility for the attack. The kill-

the number of French nationals killed since the militant Islamic armed group (GIA) told foreigners to leave the country or face death.

supporting terrorism and imsmooth its relations with the posed severe visa restrictions on Algena, where Islamic fighters are trying to overthrow the military-backed

In an interview with AFP in the lobby of the OK Inn. in the Burkinan capital Quagadougou, where the Islamists — 19 men and one woman — are staying, they confirmed they were all members of Algena's Islamic Salvation Front, which is waging an armed rehellion against that

We are here for 15 days at the minimum but, even if France allows some of us to return, we will not go back, it is a question of pride."

country's military-backed

Rachid Tounsi said. Djaffar Al Houari, president of the Algerian Brotherhood in France, said he was relieved he had left France which, he said, "makes pronouncements on what goes on in Algeria as if it is a region of France or an over-

seas territory. Another militant who wished to remain unidentified said the government of Burkina Faso had provided a "service" to France. "But also to us, the future government of Algena, he added.

On Thursday, the French Foreign Ministry revealed that a husinessman of dual French-Algerian citizenship has been shot dead a week ago in the western Algerian

ed a fish canning company, was killed outside his home. He had lived in Algeria since before independence from France in 1962.

ing, which had not been reported previously, took to 17

Also Thursday, Hassan Al Turabi, the leader of the Sudanese fundamentalists, called on France to urge the Algerian government to

He gave interviews to

several French dailies in which he blamed the European Union, and notably France, for accepting the cancellation of elections in Algeria. Mr. Turabi said French

officials had asked him to intervene with the FIS on France's hehalf. He said "French officials asked me to intervene to help secure a settlement and an improvement in relations with the

"It is now up to these countries to convince the Algerian government to negotiate. They have enough ways of applying pressure," Mr. Turabi said France was increasingly alone in supporting the Algerian government.

He said "the Americans and the British don't, and Italy and Spain are in favour of a negotiated solution." Mr. Turabi told InfoMatin that he had already discussed the issue with Europeans including French, officials. "Each time I drew their attention on the need to talk

have given encouraging signs recently. French Interior Minister Pasqua said, he did not believe France had "solicited"

to the fundamentalists. Both

they and the government

Mr. Turahi's help. "I don't believe at all that France intervened. It is none of our business, it's up to the Algerians to sort their own affairs out.'

But he told the Europe-1 radio station that France would welcome "a really democratic government which has the widespread support of the population in Algeria."
Mr. Turabi, the rector of

the Khartoum law faculty and "guide" of the Sudanese fundamentalists, finished his constitutional and international law doctorate in France. "When I returned to Khartoum, I decided to work towards establishing privileged relations with

Iran: Argentina 'apologised' TEHRAN (R) — Iran said exploding a bomh," he said. on Friday Argentina had "I was surprised bow quickly a government can make a U-turn. This is of made a noble gesture by 'apologising" for accusing Iranian officials of bombing course a noble gesture, hut an Argentine Jewish centre. the United States and Israel The withdrawal of the insisted that Argentina charges against four Iranian should not make this turnarofficials disgraced the United ound. It is a scandal, a dis-States and Israel, which grace for the United States wanted to make a hasis from the cases "to condemn us in

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was made public. The United States publicly pledged to hack Argentina if it severed diplomatic relations with Tehran. Last week U.S. President

Bill Clinton condemned Iran as the world's "leading state sponsor of terrorism. Washington has not commented on the withdrawal of the Argentine charges.

The charges were hased on diplomat but his testimony



was later questioned. Tehran said Mr. Motamer was a shopkeeper wanted for

fraud and forgery by Iranian courts who posed as a former diplomat or senior civil servant. Mr. Rafsanjani said the episode showed "our ene-

mies are so empty-handed in finding something to stick on us that they resort to anyone, even a fraudster." He also chided the West-

ern countries involved because "for all their claims of having reliable intelligence, they could not figure out whether he (Motamer) was a diplomat, a deputy minister,

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the land of Palestinians of Jordan is the land of Jordan FRIDAY PRAYERS IN AJLOUN: His Royal Highness Jordan is the land of Jordan Prince Hassan, the Regent, attends Friday prayers at Ajioun Mosque with other worshippers and listened to a sermon delivered by Sheikh Fathi Al Qudah. Sheikh Qudah said all the nation stands behind the Hashemite leadership in its endeavours to establish a just, lasting and comprehensive peace that That's been the focus of the Attending the prayers with Prince Hassan were crete, practical things the Minister of Awaaf and Islamic Affairs Abdul Salam can assist in the develop can assist in the development, McCurry said. "I don't allow governor and senior government officials. At want to get into the specific the end of the prayers, Prince Hassan called on the

Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs to prepare an integrated plan for the restoration of Ajloun Mosque and to include it in the projects covered by the royal commission for the restoration of mosques and tombs of the Prophet Mohammad's companions and the martyrs. The Ajloun Mosque was built in 1247 A.D. upon orders from King Saleh Najmul Deen Ayoub. The mosque's minaret was built upon orders by Al Daher Beibars in 1263. The mosque was restored from inside upon orders by His Majesty King Hussein during the first years of assuming his constitutional powers. The height of the mosque's minaret was raised from 18 metres to 40 metres upon orders by King Hussein in 1962 (Petra photo)

- ESCWA, Arab League organise meeting for world summit on social development

negotiations with Jordan AMMAN (J.T.) — In prepa-Dennis Ross, U.S. coordinaration for the World Social tor for the Middle East pear Summit on Social Develop-process, led the U.S. delegament, to be held in Congalage in March 1995. Copenhagen in March 1995, the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) and the League of Arab States are organising a preparatory expert group meeting as a step had pillaged mausoleums i towards formulating a draft other districts of the port of Arab Declaration for Social Development, an ESCWA Aden, the former sme statement said.

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By Angham Tamimi

AMMAN — Celebrating the

King's accession to throne

and its own golden jubilee, Al Ahli Club presented a

four-day performance in which 11 Circassian folklore

songs and dances were intro-

duced last week at the Royal

The real pleasure in watching Circassian folklore per-

formances lies in the magnifi-

cence of its symbolism. Pride

and heroism countered hy

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Ever since its establishment in 1944, Al Ahli Club

has been concerned with

Advocates of the increased

students' contribution rate

say that the public should be

encouraged to contribute to

the educational system and not turn the country into a

welfare state. But they agree

that measures should be taken to raise the standard of living

of those who fall within the

innocuous topic but it scares ministers and prime ministers

who know it could take off

and cost them their jobs,"

said one Western diplomat based in the Indian sub-

territorial and water disputes

The Yedioth Aharonoth

daily quoted unidentified

senior Israeli government

sources as saying the

Cultural Centre.

the ministry said.

ment Programme (UNDP), the International Labour Organisation (ILO), the Arab Gulf Programme for United Nations Development Organisations (AGFUND), and the Arab Labour Organisation (ALO).

The three core themes of the summit --- alleviation and reduction of poverty, expansion of productive employment, and enhancement of social integration — will be discussed during the meeting.

In addition, a fourth agenda item - the cutural dimension of social development — which was introduced by ESCWA and the League of Arab States, will also be sed," the statement

"nurturing the physical and mental abilities of its youth,"

Samer Belger, one of the

three choreographers, told

"In addition to its athletic

teams, the cluh is also in-

volved in social, cultural and

artistic activities. Circassian

folklore and heritage are represented in the folk group."

The voluntary orientation of the troupe enabled it to

attract those who believe in

what they practise, which in turn heightens the excellence of their performance, said Mr. Belger. "Some of the youth need less than two or

three months to be profes-

lower income brackets before

imposing additional manda-

tory payments on this sector.

According to Mr. Rawab-

deh, the government would

study the concept of the stu-

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seek a more equitable ap-

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Asian governments, he

added, recognise how important the topic is. "So no

matter how much pressure is

put on, they cannot afford to follow Saudi Arabia's call for

offer, whereby the Lebanese

army would deploy along the

southern border with Israel,

disarm Iranian-backed guer-

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ty of Israeli-backed Lebanese

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Regent calls for further study

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Egyptian president urges

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That opened the door for a Lebanese expressed interest in a nine-month-old Israeli in a nine-month-old Israeli

the Jordan Times.

The expert group meeting aims to monitor the situation in the Arab World regarding poverty, employment and social integration, in order to develop a unified Arab stance on these issues. This would enable the Arab states

to develop the proper policies to address any shortcomings and imbalances. Finally, the meeting will issue recommendations and a final re-port, which will be used to formulate a draft Arab dec-laration for Social Develop-

ment, said the statement.
The draft declaration will then be submitted to the Council of Arab Ministers for Social Affairs for adoption during the council's coming regular session in December 1994.

three choreographers in charge of training 85 partici-

pants, the designers of cos-

tume and set, the financial

and administrative staff and

the musicians collaborate to

create polished perform-

ances, said Mr. Belger. "No

one in particular is responsi-

ble for the group, rather all of

us are in charge to make our folklore familiar all over the

and Caspian seas, the Can-

casus mountains, from where

the Circassians migrated, has

always been a sought-after

After adoption, the draft declaration will be used as an input into the world summit in Copenhagen.

In addition to government and United Nations experts, representatives of Arab and international organisations involved in sustainable hu-man and social development issues will participate in the expert group meeting.

During the first five sessions of the meeting, various studies relating to the four themes of the summit will be presented, while the sixth and final session will adopt the recommendations and the final report. Following the final session, a press conference will be held, the ESCWA statement said.

Al Ahli Club continues to

entertain after 50 years land resulted in a mass expul-On a voluntary basis, the sion of the Circassians in the

> early 19th century. Finding new homes in Tur-key, Jordan, Syria and other countries, the Circassians became a part of the Arab community, but preserve their heritage and culture through their folklore traditions.

Oo Sept. 6, the group will perform in the U.S., said Mr. Belqer.

"Through the audience we recognised that our folkore is Located between the Black appreciated hy people who are familiar with our culture. They look amused, although region hy Russia. A bitter 200 years of struggle over the they do not understand the songs' words," he added.

TCC to provide 250,000 lines

AMMAN (Petra) - Minister of Post and Communications Hashem Dabbas Friday said the national investment project, being carried out by the Telecommunications Corporation (TCC) will provide almost 250,000 telephone lines by the year 1997.

In an interview with the Jordanian News Agency, Petra, Dr. Dabbas said the cellular telephone project will help provide quick phone service and contribute to solving the telephone shortage problem in

Jordan. The minister said there is a need for 3,000 post offices throughout Jordan to provide proper postal services to all citizens.

Dr. Dabbas told Petra that he will be meeting with citizens every Thursday and will be listening to their demands and complaints, if

Jordan Gulf Bank labour dispute ends Employees to earn additional JD 30 per month

By a Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — A year-long abour dispute between the Jordan Gulf Bank management and the Union of Bank Workers ended with a settlement to increase the bank employees' salaries by 30 per month and grant them other fringe benefits beginning Oct. 1.

A bank employee at the Jor-dan Gulf Bank head office in Amman told the Jordan Times that the workers had been seeking an increase through their union and the Ministry of Labour, both of which were involved in working out the settlement which was signed Thurs-

"We have not received any annual increments for the past seven years and our other benefits were considered much lower than those of other bank workers in Jordan," said the employee who asked not to be identified.

The Jordan Gulf Bank has 28 branches in Jordan, and one in Nablus in the occupied West Bank which opened in July, and the total number of employees now stands at 500, he said. According to the settle-ment, the basic salary of an

employee with a Tawjihi certificate will be JD 100 with a JD 25 allowance, an employee with a diploma from a community college

will receive JD 115 basic salary with a JD 32 allowance, and those with university degrees will receive basic salaries starting from JD 138 with a JD 40 allowance per month. The bank's management has also agreed to a pay 75 per cent, up from 50 per cent, of the total expenses for hospitalisation for natu-

ral child birth deliveries for

employees' wives and to pay JD 30 for employees

requiring prescription.

eyeglasses or lenses every two years, something which the workers had never enjoyed before, said the employee.

A wife's allowance is to be raised to JD 20 from JD 15 and the workers will receive transportation allowances and will be able to get as much as JD 35,000 in loans to be repaid over 15 years at six per cent interest, according to the settlement agreement signed by the concerned parties and the Labour Ministry.

According to the bank employee, the agreement would be reexamined after two years.

Irbid clans agree to settle blood feud in court

By Rana Husseini

Special to the Jordan Times IRBID - The family of an Irbid man who last week shot and killed his 23-yearold wife and severely injured her father urged the court to sentence him to the most severe punishment for the murder, family members said.

In order to avert a blood feud between the Masa'deh clan of the hushand, Mohammad, 37, and the Momani clan of the murdered wife, Mirvat, the Masa'deh agreed Thursday not to deal with the fend tribally but to have it settled to court.

'We condemn what our family member has done. and we are urging that he receive the most severe punishment," Khaled Masa'deh, one of the tribe leaders told the Jordan Times Thursday.

"We are going to comply with any request that our friendly neighbours, the Momanis, ask, in order to settle the feud in a friendly way," he added, during an interview in his hometown of Zmal, 40 kilometres from the deceased town of

Zmal was cordoned off by police who checked the identities of all visitors to ensure that there were no iocidents of revenge killing.

Eyewitnesses to the murder told the Jordan Times that Mohammad fired four shots at his wife seconds

after she arrived at the Sharia court in Irbid for a divorce proceeding. The husband, shot the remaining 10 hullets at his fatherin-law, Jamal and his wife's

brother Muhannad. The wife died immediately and ber father, who received one hullet to the chin and several to his arms while trying to shield his daughter, was listed in fair conditioo. Muhannad, who sustained only minor injuries to the arms after be too attempted to block the bullets from his sister, was listed in good condition.

A close relative of the deceased woman told the Jordan Times that the reason Mohammad shot his wife was because she failed in a community college exam two years ago. "Mohammad wanted her to pass the exam so she

could work and help him support their family," the relative said. After she failed the test, said the relative, problems started between the couple, and Mirvat went back to

her father's home in Ibeen. "He (Mohammad) had started treating her in a cruel manner, and all of a sudden he hecame extremely, religious and started acting strangely,"

the relative said. He claimed that in April, Mohammad had pointed a gnn at Mirvat's uncle. Mohammad was arrested, but was released a few days later, said the relative.



WALKING TO HELP: Deputising for Her Majesty Queen Noor Her Royal Highness Princess Alia Friday attends a charity walk, organised by Amman hamber of Commerce to mark His Majesty King Hussein's accession to the throne. Taking part in the march, which started from the Orthodox Club in

Marriott Hotel in Shmeisa-Marriott Hotel in Sameisa-ni, were 2,000 people, in-cluding Prince Firas Ben Ra'd, Ministry of Youth Secretary General Majed Qteishat, the president of the Federation of Jordanian Chambers of Commerce and several handicapped

Surgeons acquire valuable information at gastrointestinal meeting — JSG chief

By Rima Cortbawi Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — The Medico-Surgical Gastrointestinal (GI) Conference Friday ended, but "the medical information acquired by both attendants and participants will remain to affect the process of modifying medical approach and techniques so that elevated standards can be ensured," said Hashem Abu Hassan, president of the Jordanian Society of Gastroenterologists (JSG).

"This conference was excellent, in my opinion, as well as in that of many others in my field, I am sure. The papers presented a very valuable medical content, rich with useful information. The discussions conducted throughout the conference portrayed a high standard of medical hackground in all aspects of GI and surgery, said Dr. Abu Hassan, who was the co-chairman of the conference's executive organising committee.

The discussions most worthy of mentioning included ones that revolved around peptic ulcer disease, considering that 10% of any population suffers from symptoms of this disease at a certain stage of life. Also 2%

of the people have active peptic ulcer. The problem bere mainly lies in that, in addition to being a recurrent disease, the cause of it is not clearly defined although great amounts of theory are available," said Dr. Abn Hassan.

However, recent discoverics on the subject have shown that a certain microorganism. given the name of belicobacter pylori, is responsible for both the ulcer and its recurrence, according to Dr. Abu

Developing methods of treating such a microorgan-ism, which has been tackled in discussions, will hopefully eradicate the common problem of peptic ulcer," be said. Important deliherations also centred around viral hepatitis B and C. "In our region, type B is widely spread with the carrier rate

being around 10%. The virus leads to many future complications such as chronic hepatitis and liver cirrhosis. Unfortunately when beparitis B virus attacks infants in their first year, there is a 90% chance of them becoming carriers. This percentage, however, decreases with age down to 5% in adults," Dr. Abu Hassan explained.

cance of the workshop conducted Thursday at Al Bashir Hospital by Rollin Hughes (a consultant in internal medicine and gastroenterology at the Mayo Clinic in the U.S.) sbould be acknowledged, according to Dr. Abu Has-

"It handled endoscopic management of common hile duct stone. Two patients present at the hospital were successfully treated and it was a useful demonstration of modern techniques to all atten-dants from all sectors. Also a large polyp was removed from the stomach of a woman," said Dr. Abu Has-

The panel discussion on upper GI bleeding secondary to oesophageal varices should also be noted, Dr. Abu Hassan maintained. "On top of being a real emergency, this case is extremely difficult to treat. Recent novel methods of treatment, such as endoscopic injection or ligation of the varices as well as medical therapy, must be exchanged," he said.

As far as the benefits reaped in surgical work, "the surgeons present regarded the large number of papers presented by Jordanians during the conference as provid-

ing detailed and specialised information on surgical means," said Jamal Al Mas'ad, assistant professor of surgery at the University of Jordan Medical School.

Surgical practices in Jordan have reached a remarkably high standard, according to Dr. Mas'ad. "Even European and American experts were very impressed with our advanced surgical facilities and expertise. "Thus this conference has

been particularly important for accentuating the position of Jordan in surgery." "From an economic point of view, this will serve the

purpose of encouraging patients from other countries to seek Jordanian surgical ser-

"We already help many fellow Arabs in the field of surgery, and we hope to be able to solve problems for larger numbers." said Dr. Activities on Thursday and

Friday involved 47 medical papers on peptic disorders of the upper GI tract, laparoscopie cholecysectomy, repair after mastectomy, colon and rectal cancer, viral hepatitis, complications of liver diseases, laparoscopic hernia repair and appendectomy and related laser applications.

WHAT'S GOING ON

GATHERING

☆ Gathering with artist Jamal Badran at the Young Women's Christian Association at 6:00 p.m. (The gathering includes a slide show and a discussion).

LECTURE

★ Lecture in Arabic entitled "Democracy — An Islamic Contemporary Vision" by Mr. Abn Bakr, leader of Islamic Du'a Movement, at Abdul Hameed Shoman Foundation, Jabal Amman at 6:30 p.m.

EXHIBITIONS

★ Exhibition of household items at the Amman International Motor Exhibition, Airport Road (Tel 827408).

* Exhibition of paintings by selected Iraqi artists at Alia Art Gallery (Tel. 639303).

* Exhibition of Jordanian-made commodities at the International Exhibition Centre, University Road (Tel.

☆ "The Diness Exhibit" — beginnings of photography in Jerusalem and the Holy Land at the American Center exhibition hall, Abdonn.

★ Exhibition of paintings entitled "Fantazia II" (depicting) Islamic style) hy Iraqi artist Widad Orfali at Orfali Art Gallery, Umm Utheina (Tel. 826932).

★ Exhibition of abstract art by Khalif Khalif and Nizar
Younls at the Phoenix Gallery for Culture and Art (Tel.)

★ Exhibition entitled "Time-2 Space 1" by Samia Zarou at Darat Al Funun of the Abdul Hameed Shoman Foundation in Jabal Luweibdeh. Also showing "permanent" exhibition of 56 Arah contemporary artists (Tel. 643251/

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Onion (dry) NEW YORK (R) — The United States and Cuba were scheduled to hold their second day of talks Friday afternoon on the mass migration of thousands of Florida-bound Cubans as the exodus continues unabated.

The two-sides come to the table with different agendas. Cuba is seeking 10 end the U.S. embargo which has crippled it economically, while the United States is trying to halt the uncontrolled flood of Cuban refugees, who for the past month have been fleeing north in flimsy tafts.

Ricardo Alarcon, Cuba's former foreign minister and U.N. ambassadot, said: "We still have a long way to go before finding an agreement and a long way to go in order to teally solve the problem."

He again insisted, in a Cable News Networks interview Thursday night, that the only real solution was for the United States and Cuba to end the hostility between them and for Washington to lift the economic embargo. Asked if he brought up the

embargo," Mt. Alarcon said: "Every time 1 speak about this issue I can assure you 1 always tefer to the embargo." But he said he detected no change in the U.S. posi-

U.S. spokesman David Johnson characterised Thursday's session at the United States U.N. mission "serious, professional and ousinesslike."

Mr. Johnson said the United States went into details

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Pope

John Paul II's planned visit to

Sarajevo is being hailed as

the biggest spiritual and

morale boost to the besieged

population since the start of the war.

But for security officials, it is set to be a nightmare.

The airport area is fre-

quently raked by gunfire and

often closed by mortar

attacks. The speed-skating

stadium, where the 74-year-old Pontiff wants to hold mass for 25,000 people is only

a few hundred yards from

However, Bosnian Serb

leader Radovan Karadzic has

warned the Pope against the

visit, citing security risks. He

maintains that the Serbs feat

they will automatically be

blamed if something does happen to the Pontiff.

sides could achieve "what we believe is a mutual objective
— funnelling the desite to emigrate into legal, safe, orderly, predictable and dependable process and stem-ming the uncontrolled out-

Washington is expected to increase its quota on legal immigration from Cuba, as well as, perhaps lift new sanctions on humanitarian goods and travel just imposed.

But it will also seek "the

teturn of those Cuban excludables currently in United States jails" — a reference to those freed from prison in Cuba provided they joined the exodus. The same thing happened during a mass emigration of Cubans from the port of Mariel in 1980. In the meantime, U.S. offi-

cials at Guantanamo naval base were reconsidering how they handle Cubans who approach the base on land after an incident in which three Cubans were injured by

On Wednesday, 23 Cubans made a disastrous attempt to reach the U.S. outpost from Cuban territory, apparently in an effort to join tefugees held there since mid-August.

Following current U.S. policy, guards told the group to go back and one set off a land mine. One Cuban's eye was injured in the blast - he was sent to Miami for treatment — and two others were being treated at the base for leg injuries, said Lieutenant Pete Mitchell, spokesman for



Cuban former political prisoners sit in Havana's Vedadn district nn the second day of their hunger strike to protest the U.S. new policy not to grant

"In light of the incident, the policy of sending them back is under review," he

sote point between Havana and Washington, now shelters more than 15,000 of the would-be Cuba migrants, shipped there by the U.S. Coast Guard since President

Pope's planned visit to Sarajevo

is morale boost, security nightmare

Bill Clinton announced Aug. 19 they would no longer be granted automatic asylum in

the United States. In Miami, a seven-member congressional delegation returned Thursday evening from a trip to the Cuban refugee camp.

Since the Serbs were

forced to pull back heavy

weapons from around

Sarajevo in March, a shaky

calm has descended on the

But flights into Sarajevo

are vulnerable to ground attacks. The U.N. airlift has

been suspended several times

in the past month because of

beleagueted city.

Representative Robett orricelli, a New Jersey

instant asylum to Cuban refugees. All 50 men and six women observing the hunger strike have applied for U.S. visas (AFP photo)

administration to maintain a hard line against Cuba's com-

munist ruled government. The real answer to the refugee crisis is not an agreement with Castro. It's an end to the Castro government."

Meanwhile the U.S. Coast Guard reported that it had picked up nearly 1,500 Cuban tafters from the Florida

Straits Thursday. And Cuban migrants also continued to land in the nearby British colony of the Cayman Islands, with the arrival of 43 more rafters Thursday.

A total of 260 Cnban re-

fugees are now being beld in a detention camp on Grand Cayman, a tiny upscale island that is a major offshore finan-

Time for talks on Serbia sanctions — Romania

BUCHAREST (AFP) -The Romanian foreign minister has called for discussion to start on loosening the embargo against its neigh-

bout Serbia. The embargo has cost Romania several billion dollars in lost trade with the former Yugoslav republic. Foreign Minister Teodor Melescanu said, calling for compensation to be paid to all Serbia's neighbours. Serbia has proved its good-

will by breaking off political and economic relations with Bosnia's Serbs, he added. "It is time to discuss

loosening sanctions in line with the progress made in the peace progress." Mt. Melescanu said. He plans to bring up the matter when his French counterpart Alain Juppe visits Sept. 7 and 8. He said the contact group

on Bosnia, made up of Russia. the United States, France, Germany and Britain must "adopt their position to the developments, which are real. in Serbia.

Calling for international observers to be deployed on the border between Serbia and Bosnia-Herzegovina to monitor the embargo decreed

tional difficulties" for Setbia President Slobodan Milosevic, the minister said.

For now, we must try to back authorities in Belgrade rather than to make more problems, since they have enough." he added.

The Romanian economy is strongly linked to that of Serbia. It estimates the embargo has cost it \$7 billion in lost income since beginning in June 1992.

Mr. Melescanu said U.N. troops could purchase their supplies in the countries neighbouring the former Yugoslavia in order to help these economies.

Bucharest also wants the international community to set up a system of direct compensation for countries affected by the embargo.

'Economic sanctions have become a very important instrument of politics. They even tend to replace military action. It one wants this instrument to function. there must be a system of compensations," the minister

But he said he opposed lifting arms embargo against the former Yugoslavia since this increased the risk of the war there escalating.

Western hostages plead

of their release if the bom-

Now into their sixth week as hostages, the three made their latest appeal in a 15minute video recording made last Wednesday and obtained

Briton Mark Slater, Australian David Wilson and Frenchman Jean-Michel Braquet looked thin but otherwise well in the recording, which was made at Vine Mountain, a tebel stronghold 150 km south of Phnom

Mr. Slater, 28, from Northamptonshite, said army shell-

"We understood the deal was going down to pay the tansom on the 30th (August), but the bombing continued," he said. "If the bombing doesn't stop we'll never get out of here. It seems the

is trying to sever supply lines into Vine Mountain, was still optimistic on Friday of the hostages' release.

First Prime Minister Prince Norodom Ranariddh said in a statement that negotiations with the guerrillas were "neatly teaching a happy ending."
The Westerners were kidnapped on July 26 after a train ambush that killed 13 people, and have since made written appeals for the shelling to stop. They are being held with three ethnic Vietnamese and an unknown number of Cambodians.

Two artillery explosions could be clearly heard during the video recording.

"I plead with you to stop the bombing. (It is) day in. day out - very frightening for all of us, all the farmers and local people here. That's just the way it is," said Wilson, 29, from Melbourne.

"This person said please stop the bombings," said 27-year-old Braquet, gesturing to an off-camera guerrilla. For you to pay the ransom, it will be easy then."

The three Westerners showed the camera waistdeep trenches they used every day to shelter from the sbelling. Mr. Braquet, from Roquebrun Cap Martin,

Army units have encircled the stronghold. The government says 10 guerrillas have defected and over 1,000 local

The Western hostages, in a

SYDNEY (R) — A new Australian lemonade about to be launched overseas has put the MOSCOW (Agencies) — Chinese President Jiang Zemin arrived Friday for a four-day summit expected to strengthen nes with Russia.
"Together with Russian leaders we shall discuss the roots of future development of our good-neighbourly and friendly relations, taking into account that we are on the threshold of the 21st century." Mr. Jiang told reporters at Moscow's internation-

During the summit, Mr. Jiang and Russian President Boris Yeltsin are expected to sign an agreement that neither country will target the other with its strategic nuclear missiles China and Russia are to

al airport.

Jiang Zemin

praises better

ties with Europe

sign a border accord that puts to rest most of the two countries' territorial disputes and they are to discuss ways to bolster ballooning bilateral trade.

"For China, Russia is the largest neighbouring country," Mr. Jiang said, in remarks reported by the Interfax news agency. "Between the people of the two coun-tries, there is a traditional friendship, and, for China, the relations with the Russian Federation have always occupied a very important place in the country's foreign policy."
Mr. Jiang, on his first visit

to Europe since becoming president, plans to travel to Ukraine and France after leaving Russia.

Relations between Moscow and Beijing have not always gone smoothly. An alliance based on their shared allegiance to communism broke down in the early 1960s and the two sides feuded until the late 1980s.

An official rapprochement was formally reached in 1989, and trade and other ties have expanded since the signing of joint declaration in 1992.

China's communist leaders were dismayed by the collapse of the Soviet Communist empire, and they have rejected Russia's subsequent democratic reforms as unsuitable for their own developing nation.

Russian reformers issued a statement Friday calling on Mr. Yeltsin to press China for "an initiaive on political amnesty in China (and) on ending the persecution of Chinese dissidents." "We are deeply concerned

that thousands of political prisoners are now being held in Chinese prisons," said the statement by the Democratic Russia Movement.

"We have not forgotten the tragic events that took place on Tinanamen Square in June 1988," the statement

Mr. Jiang's first stop is the first visit by a Chinese president since Mao Zedong was in Moscow in 1957. The tour will also be a chance for Mr. Jiang to assert himself as a world leader and successor to patriarch Deng Xiaoping.

'Relations between China and Europe have seen important progress this year," Mr. Jiang told reporters before leaving. "The two sides understand that the development of relations is in their. fundamental interests."

But he also emphasised the traditional warning of Chinese leaders that political differences are always likely.

"There is not, and there must not be, a single model for democracy in the world," he declared. "Some people think democracy does not ex-ist when the Western model is not copied. This is not an objective point of view."

Mr. Jiang, who is also Communist Party secretary general and commander-inchief of the military, is going to Europe for the first time since becoming head-of-state last year. Accompanied by Foreign

Minister Qian Qichen and head of the state plan commission Chen Jinhua, he will be in Russia till Sept. 6. Relations with Russia have

improved markedly since President Boris Yeltsin vi-sited Beijing in 1992. During Mr. Jiang's stay in

Moscow, the two president are expected to sign an accord to stop pointing ballistic missiles at each other. They are also to deal with frontier disputes and sign trade accords.

Sales of Russian arms to China have flourished since a visit last year by Russian Defence Minister, General Pavel Gratchev.

The Chinese president will spend two days in the Ukraine before an important final stage of the tour in France from Sept. 8 to 12. His job there will be to set the seal on the rapprochement with France.

Lemonade gives Australia lemons bite

bite back into lemons. Two dogs lemonade is 4.2 per cent dogs lemonage is 4.2 per cent alcohol which is as strong as most Australian beets, Pub owner Duncan McGillivray of Adelaide said two dogs served with ice and a slice of lemon, is a good alternative to light beer and bridges the gap between beer and wines and spirits as well as the gender gap. 'It's a lovely drink for a nice summy day, really refreshing," Mr. McGillivray told Reuters on Friday. "It tastes a bit like bitter lemon but with more bite and with a definite adult flavour." Mr. McGillivray said be came np with the idea of brewing lemons after a neighbour complained that half of the lemons in his orchard went to waste as they were either too big or too small for the market. "For about three months I messed around with lemons, skins and all, and finally came up with the right flavour," he said. "Everyone from 18

London zoo to return hairy rhinoceros

years old to 80 seems to like

JAKARTA (AFP) — Lon-

don Zoo will return several pairs of rare Sumatran Rhinoceros to Indonesia after efforts to breed them in Britain failed, a senior wildlife official said here Wednesday. Sujadi Hartono, Indonesian director-general for forest exploitation and nature conservation, said they will be returned during the 1995-96 fiscal year beginning in April next year. He told Antara news agency that the small, hairy two-horned Sumatran rhinos, will be returned to their natural habitat in the south Sumatran province of Lampung. The rhinos were ago but all breeding atempts failed. Hartono did niot say where the rhinos originally came from, but a joint . British-Indonesian project in 1985 sought to catch four pairs from jungles in southern Sumatra in a bid to easure the survival of the endangered species. The Sumatran rhino, or Dicerorhinus Sumatrensis, is Asia's smallest rhinoceros. It lives in the jungles of Sumatra. Two other type of the same species can also be found in small pockets or jungles in Burma, Assam, Malaysia and Kalimantam. Officials estimate that there are about 400 Sumatran rhi nos left, but sightings of the nocturnal animal have been rare in the past few years.

Australian police announce record heroin hauf

Serb guns on the front line. And the risk of sniper fire on most parts of the planned papal route is ominpresent. "All U.N. troops will be on full alert. There will be maximum security," said Col. Bertrand Labarsouque, the U.N. military spokesman for Sarajevo. But nobody can guarantee 100 per cent security in Sarajevo. U.N. officials privately refer to the planned Sept. 8 visit as a "Nightmare." The Vatican said Thursday Pope John Paul II that the Pope remained intent on his trip.

protection, Bosnian officials say they are leaving nothing

within the Bosnian Interior

In addition to the U.N.

to chance. "This is the visit of the highest official to Bosniathat we are putting so much importance into it," said Zeljko Varunek, head of

Herzegovina. It's because of

team," he said. "And they are working around the

vices, including Interpol.

nian police started to cooperate with foreign security ser-Mr. Varunek says lists of

As soon as plans for the

visit were announced, Bos-

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Bosnian Serbs have warned that all aircraft that miss their allocated landing slot may be fired on. A helicopter was hit by five rounds of small arms fire Thursday as it tried to land near U.N. headquarters.

mortar and sniper fire.

Situated on the front line, the airport is surrounded by minefields and weapons of both warring sides. From the airport, the Pope

has to travel the city's most the infamous sniper alley to arrive at the presidency building to meet top government officials.

After that, the security

headaches are set to worsen with Mass at the open-air speed-skating ring at Zetra. This is deemed the safest area in the massive Sports Complex which was built for the Sarajevo winter Olympic Games in 1984 and which like so many city landmarks

scarred eyesore. Security officials say they are preparing shelters for the crowds of worshippers in the event of an attack from Setb

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The same kind of threat recently prevented U.S. Desecurity for the papal visit international terrorists are fence Secretary William Perbeing checked, and any radical Muslim units in the Bosry from landing at Sarajevo Ministry. "The best men we have in nian army are being brought U.S., North Korea to talk about

WASHINGTON (AP) -The United States has agreed to talk North Korea next week about establishing diplomatic offices in the two capitals. It is a major step towards formal relations with the hardline Communist gov-

That would depend. however, on reaching an overall agreement on North Korea's suspect nuclear programme, which, after more than a year of quarreling, the Pyongyang government pledged in July to freeze and partially open to international inspectors.

emment.

Administration officials said Thursday the talks beginning on Sept. 10. apparently the first ever in the North Korean capital of Pyongyang, would concern arrangements for setting up liaison offices there and in Washington. Establishing mail service, renting office space and real estate laws will be on the agenda.

Technical experts from the

two sides will meet the same

day in Betlin on replacing a

reactor that is pan of Nonh

Korea's nucleat programme

with new technology that is

considered less dangerous.

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The Berlin meeting also will deal with ways to safely store spent fuel from the North Korean reactor and to temporarily provide North Korea with energy during a period of conversation to light-water reactors. Betlin was chosen because of Germany's expertise in technolo-

West and the U.S. drive to halt a programme considered a potential danger to South Kotea, Japan and other Asian countries. diplomatic contact. The Nixon administration, for inst-

opening diplomatic offices

gy. officials said. On Sept. 23, senior negotiatots will reconvene in Geneva to putsue North Korea's quest for recognition and economic ties with the

ance, established liaison offices to end decades of icy distance from China. Subsequently, the Cartet adminis-

Liaison offices provide for

tration established full ties with Beijing.
"We don't artach symbolic significance" to the Pyongyang meeting. U.S. State Department spokesman Michael McCurry said But Michael McCurry said. But he said he would acknowledge that North Korea might view the meeting in that light. Also. Mr. McCurry said

opening liaison offices was "conditional on an overall

vacation, White House Press Secretary Dee Dee Myers said, "These are simply tech-nical talks that would allow us to be prepared in case that somewhere down the line a decision in made to move forward in establishing a liaison office or something else. "Should the decision be made, this is ... a step to make sure that we're ready. ... This is not any kind of a diploma-

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agreement" on North Korea's nucleat programme. In Edgartown, Mass., where Ptesident Clinton is on

tic conversation. It's technical discussions," she said. Although North Korea has programme, it has not agreed spection of two suspect waste However. Nonh Korea said it would maintain its able clues to what the North Koreans have been doing

gence experts are convinced one or two nuclear weapons were produced.
The North Koreans have insisted they need their experimental reactor for energy purposes. But the United States and some Asian na-

tions suspect it is part of an

ambitious ptogramme to develop nucleat weapons. The United States and North Kotea held their last round of talks in August in

Geneva. It was disclosed sub-

sequently that the reactor at

the Yongbyon complex might

be testarted if a deal was not struck for two western-style replacements. State Department officials said Asian and European governments would be asked to share the estimated \$4 billion cost of two replace-

ment light-water reactors. The agreement in Geneva maintained the freeze pledged by North Korea in July and monitored by International Atomic Energy Agency inspectors, It did no resolve the disposition of 8.000 nuclear fuel tods, nor ptovide access to two suspect waste sites.

commitment to the nuclear non-proliferation treaty. which is designed to restrict the spread of nuclear weapons technology and provides for international inspection of suspect programmes. It also pledged to work to denuclearise the Korean Peninsula.

by Belgrade against its fellow Serbs. might " create addi-

PHNOM PENH (R) — Three Westerners held hostage by Khmer Rouge guerrillas have again pleaded for the Cambodian Army to stop shelling their jungle prison. saying there was little chance

by Reuters on Friday.

ing of the area had prevented their release.

bombing is directed at us," But the government, which denies shelling the camp but

three governments."
appealed for supplies of vitamin C, rice, dried beef, fish, and trousers for Mr. Slater and Mr. Wilson and haemorrhoid cream for Mr. Wilson.

SYDNEY (AFP) - Australian police announced Wednesday they had seized a record 123 kilogrammes of heroin with an estimated street value of around \$190 million in the northern city of Darwin. A combined drug enforcement unit first seized 5g blocks of heroin weighing 40.7 kilogrammes and arrested eight people from a Thai fishing vessel on July 13, a police statement said. "Shortly after that, a further 113 blocks of heroin, weighing 82.7 kilogrammes, was located by police divers and forms a part of the same consignment," it added. The total weight of 123 kilogrammes is Australia's largest bulk seizure of heroin with a wholesale price of about 120 million Australian dollars (\$89 million) and a street value of about \$240 million," said the statement. A police spokesman in Darwin, capital of the Northern Territory, said the second haul of heroin was found at the bottom of the harbour. The statement by the combined drug enforcement unit - comprising Northern Territory police, federal police and customs officers said the second haul could not be publicised earlier because of operational reasons. The eight people arrested on the fishing vessel had been charged with importing the original 58 blocks of heroin and would also be charged with the additional seizure. the statement said. "The investigation continues with assistance to the combined drug enforcement unit from the narcotics suppression bureau of the Royal Thai Police and liaison officers from the Australian Federal Police stationed throughout Southeast Asia." it added.

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Lemonade gives Australia lemons bite

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London zoo to return hairy rhinoceros

JAKARTA (AFP) — London Zoo will return several pairs of rare Sumatran Rhi noceros to Indonesia after efforts to breed them in Britain failed, a senior wildlife official said here Wednesday, Sujadi Hartono, Indonesian director-general for forest exploitation and nature conservation, said they will be returned during the 1995-% fiscal year beginning in April next year. He told Antara news agency that the small hairy two-horned Sumatran rhinos, will be returned to their natural habitat in the south Sumatran province of Lampung. The rhinos were sent to London several years ago but all breeding atemps failed. Hartono did niot say where the rhinos originally came from, hut a join British-Indonesian project in 1985 sought to catch four pairs from jungles in south em Sumatra in a bid to a sure the survival of the a dangered species. The Sumatran rhino, or Diceorhinus Sumatrensis, is Asia's smallest rhinoceros. It lives in the jungles of Sumat ra. Two other type of the same species can also be found in small pockets or jungies in Burma, Assam, Malaysia and Kalimantan. Officials estimate that there are about 400 Sumatran thi-

Australian police announce record heroin haui

nos left, but sightings of the

nocturnal animal have been

rare in the past few years.

SYDNEY (AFP) - Australian police annnunced Wednesday they had seized a record 123 kilogrammes of heroin with an estimated street value of around \$100 unilion in the northern city of Darwin. A combined drug enforcement unit first seized 58 blocks of heroin weighing 40.7 kilogrammes and arrested eight people from 3 Thai fishing vessel on July 13. a police statement said. Shortly after that, a further 113 hlocks of hernin. weighing 82.7 kilogrammes. was located by police divers and forms a part of the same consignment," it added. The total weight nf 123 kilogrammes is Australia's largest bulk seizure of heroin with a wholesale price of about 120 million Australian dollars (\$89 millinn) and a street value of about \$240 million," said the statement. A police spokesman in Darwin, capital of the Northern Territory, said the second haul of heroin was found at the bottom of the harbour. The statement by the confr bined drug enforcement unit - comprising Northern Territory police, federal

police and customs officers said the second haul could not be publicised earlier be cause of operational reasons. The eight people arrested of the fishing vessel had been charged with importing the original 58 blocks of herop and would also be charged with the additional seizur the statement said. The investigation continues with assistance to the combined drug enforcement unit from the narcotics suppression bureau of the Royal That Police and liaison office! from the Australian Federal Police stationed throughout Southeast Asia," it added.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Jiang renews invitation to Clinton to visit China

BEIJING (AFP) - Chinese President Jiang Zemin renewed Friday an invitation to U.S. President Bill Clinton to visit China. "We have already invited President Clinton to visit China, so if he decides to come we will accord him a warm reception," Mr. Jiang told reporters before leaving China for a 10-day European tnur. Mr. Clinton's first official visit to China could take place towards the end of the year, according to diplomatic circles, with Foreign Minister Qian Qichen laying the groundwork for the visit when he goes to Washington at the end of September. The two leaders are expected to meet in Jakarta in November at a summit of the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation forum. Sino-American relations entered a "new era," according to both sides, after Mr. Clinton in May renewed China's most favoured nation trading status unconditionally, de-linking trade from China's human rights record. The new policy of commerical engagement began this week with the visit to China of Commerce Secretary Ron Brown during which U.S. firms signed contracts worth around \$7 hillion, Mr. Jiang left Beijing Friday for Russia, the first leg mf a tour which will also take him to Ukraine and France.

Murayama holds telephone talks with Asian leaders

TOKYO (AFP) - The leaders of Japan, the Philippines, Singapore and Vietnam on Friday agreed by telephone to maintain close ties to ensure peace and stability in the Asia-Pacific region, officials said here. Prime Minister Tumiichi Murayama thanked Philippine President Fidel Ramos, Vietnamese Prime Minister Vo Van Kiet and Singapore Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong for their warm welcome during his recent visit to their countries, the officials said. The Japanese premier returned hnme Tuesday from an eight-day Sontheast Asian tour to the Philippines, Vietnam, Malaysia and Singapore. Mr. Murayama is also due to talk Malaysian Prime Minister Mahathir Mohammad by telephone later in the day, the officials added.

U.S. to list 9 nations as unsafe for air travel

WASHINGTON (R) — U.S. air safety officials annunced later Friday that airlines fromnine nations have been barred from serving the United States because of inadequaters of the safety of the safety of the United States because of inadequaters of the safety ate safety oversite, NBC News and the Washington Post reported. They said the countries which did nnt meet international standards were Belize, the Dominican Republic, Gambia, Ghana, Honduras, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Uruguay and Zaire. The countries have been told by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) that their aircraft cannot fly to the United States unless the safety deficiencies are received, the Washington Post said. Four countries have been put on a conditional list to enable their planes to serve the United States under heightened FAA scrutiny: Bolivia, El Salvador, Guatemala and the Netherlands Antilles, the Post said. NBC News said the safety assessments were based on such factors as airport safety, air traffic control and government aviation regulations.

Khmer Rouge says royalists have no power

BANGKOK (AFP) - Cambodia's Khmer Rouge guerrillas claimed Friday that the royalists faction has lost the struggle for power in Phnom Penh to the rival faction backed by Vietnam. In a hroadcast monitored in Bangkok, Khmer Rouge radio said that Hun Sen and his Cambodian People's Party (CPP) "has complete control" over Prince Norodom Romandth and his supporters. Prince Ranariddh and Hun Sen are co-prime ministers in a coalition government formed in 1993 after United Nationssponsored general elections. The CPP held office in Phnom Penh after Vietnam invaded Cambodia and ousted the Khmer Rouge from power in 1979. The royalists and the a guerrilla accords of 1991. "The pupper Hun Sen leads Prince Ranariddh around by the nose, ... the puppet Chea Sim has sole control over parlilament, the puppet Harheng has taken full control of the police and the puppets Tea Banh. Pol Saroeun and Ke Kimyan have control over all armed forces," the radio said. It held that power in the provinces and down to the village level was in the hands of the pro-Vietnamese, "and thus no one can chase the Vietnamese out of Cambodia. "A controversial immigration law adopted recently in Phnom Penh was a ploy by the pro-Vietnamese CPP and had triggered "crocodile tears" over the law's suppposed threat to Vietnamese settlers in Cambodia, the radio said.

Cost of Halti military invasion put at \$427m

NEW YORK (AFP) - A U.S.-led military invasion of Haiti would cost around \$427 million, the Pentagon has estimated, the New York Times reported Friday. The Times quoted one Defence Department official as saying that the first three weeks of an invasion would cost \$55 million to cover transportation, food and water, logistics and combat pay for an initial force of 12,000 soldiers. The goal would be to restore to power in 10 days Jean-Bertrand Aristide who was ousted from power hy the Haitian military in a bloody Sept. 30, 1991, coup and whn now lives in exile in Washington. Pentagon cost experts then say that it would take an extra \$372 million over the next seven months with 2,500 to 3,000 U.S. troops remaining at the end of that period. Once order had been restored, a U.N.-led force of 6,000 troops would replace the initial invasion force, the Times quoted Pentagon sources as saying. U.S. administration officials have so far been reluctant to put a price on an invasion of Haiti althnugh they have left nn donbt that it will go ahead if the Haitian military refuses to step down. Deputy Secretary of State Strobe Talbott said Thursday that U.S. troops would be sent to Haiti even if the transition is peaceful to form a large part of an international force protecting Mr. Aristide he restored government. Pentagon nfficials said a total of \$200 million had already been spent hy the United States in rescuing the thousands of Haitians who have taken in small boats in a bid to flee to the United States and then building holding camps for them.

Constitutional convention reconvenes in Rangoon

BANGKOK (AFP) - Some 700 delegates turnedout Friday as a Constitutional Convention in Rangoon resumed work on hammering out a new charter for Burma. The convention, which had been in recess the last five mnnths. is working to produce a new constitution for Burma that will restore democracy to the impoverished Southeast Asian nation but maintain a leading role in government for the military. Roughly one-third of the delegates were hand-picked by the ruling junta and are committed to supporting a continued leadership role for the military. Another third are members of the opposition political parties, including the main National League for Democracy (NLD), while the rest represent various segments of Durmese society ranging from ethnic minorities to labour unions. Critics charge that all of the delegates are attending the convention on the sufferance of the State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC), as the junta is formally called, and that even its supposed opponents have offered only tepid criticism of the high-orchestrated concation sessions. The proposed charter would make Burma Tepublic with seven regions and seven states of equal s. under an executive presidency. But nne section agreed on would keep popular dissident Ang San Kyi from becoming Burma's leader because she has abroad during the last 20 years and is married to a mer, British academic Michael Aris. Aung San Suu Kyr Degan her sixth year of house arrest in Rangoon in July The convention first convened in January 1993. There is no deadline for it to complete its work.

Protestant militants not observing truce

BELFAST (AFP) -- Protestant militants nn Friday claimed the first murder since the IRA ceasefire while unionist fears that London cut a secret deal to obtain the truce were heightened when four republican prisoners were moved from Britain to Northern Ireland.

Gerry Adams, president of the Sinn Fein political wing of the Irish Republican Army (IRA), meanwhile demanded the withdrawal of British troops and police from Catholic areas of the pro-

Mr. Adams said: "Crown forces, including the RUC (Royal Ulster Constabulary) are not acceptable in nationalist areas.

However, loyalist paramilitaries made it clear they were not going to observe a truce in the immediate future. Protestant loyalist Ulster

Freedom Fighters (UFF) told local radio stations that they had killed "republican militant" John O'Hanlon less than a day after the ceasefire took effect and just after news leaked that four republican prisoners had been transferred from Britain to Northern Ireland.

Police said the victim, in his early 20s and the father of one, was working with a colleague on a car at around 11:00 p.m. (2200 GMT) Thursday when two gunmen appeared through a hedge and fired five shots.

Britain fears that the loyalists, who want to stay British,

could conclude the transfer is part of a deal made with the IRA, and could feel excluded from the peace process. Such transfers have been a key demand of the hanned IRA.

However, Reverend Roy Magee, known to have had contacts in the past with the Ulster Volunteer Fnree (UVF) and the Ulster Freedom Fighters (UFF) - the Protestant community's two main paramilitary factions --said they were studying "very, very seriously" the IRA ceasefire statement but were unlikely to give their response until next week.

"They are going to examine this declaration and they might need some assistance to find out what it really means and if a package was offered (by the British government) in exchange for a ceasefire," Mr. Magee said.
"If they are satisfied there

is no threat to Northern Ireland's position within the U.K., I would be hopeful they would respond positivehe added.

He was referring tn reports that the British government might consider changing the 1920 Government of Ireland Act which asserts sovereignty over the province making this conditional on the wish of its citizens. This change would be bitterly contested by Unionists and right-wing Conservative politicians.

In return Ireland would agree to hold a referendum on renouncing its territorial claim to Northern Ireland,



Files picture dated May 22, 1982, of British director Lindsay Anderson, 71 who died Aug. 30 in France during his vacations. Anderson won in 1969 the Golden Palm at the Cannes film festival with his film "If" with Malcolm McDowell in the lead part (AFP

Mitterrand urged 'understanding' of youthful rightist allegiance PARIS (AFP) - French minister in the French post-

President François Mitterrand has uncovered sensitive areas of his right-wing past in a book published this week that gives extensive details of his career with the collaborationist Vichy regime during World War II.

In "Une Jeunesse Fran-caise" (A Frenchman's Youth) penned by journalists Pierre Pean, Mitterrand asks for understanding for past mistakes, explaining that as a young man he was marked by his provincial upbringing and by the prevailing attitudes of the time.

"In troubled times, it is difficult to make choices, especially when you are young, he told Pean. "It's unfair to judge men on errors which can be explained by the atmosphere of the period.

The book traces Mr. Mitterrand's prewar links and sympathics with the French nationalist right, but notes that the future president never jnined the pro-fascist Cagoule (Hood) organisation or the extreme nationalist Action Française.

Illustrated by a previously unpublished photograph of Mr. Mitterrand with Vichy leader Philippe Petain, taken in October 1942, the book spans the period from 1934 to 1947, ranging from Mr. Mitterrand's arrival in Paris as a ynnng Cathnlic in his appointment as the youngest

war government. It describes his work in the civil service under the Vichy regime in 1942, for which he received the Franciscque, the Vichy medal of honour, and the gradual evolutinn that saw him devote his allegiance to the Resistance, using his Vichy work as a cover.

Mr. Mitterrand went nn tn do valuable work in aid of French prisoners in Germany or on the run in France, notably involving the provision of false papers, and joined up with the Londonhased leader of the Free French, Charles de Gaulle, in December 1943.

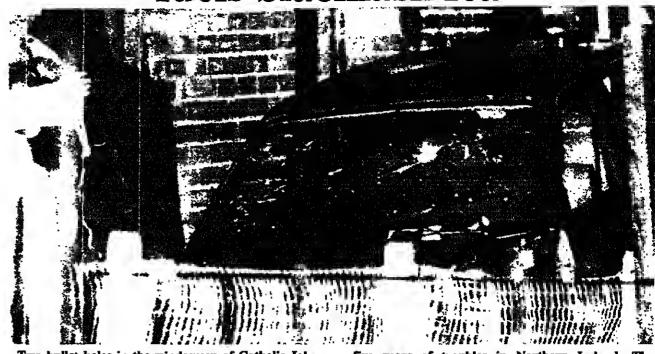
There was no evidence that Mr. Mitterrand was antisemitic, Mr. Pean said.

"He never contested his past," Mr. Pean told AFP. 'He joined a nationalist right that was not extreme right, and never subscribed to an anti-semitic ideology."

Quoting several interviews with the president, Mr. Pean said Mr. Mitterrand "knew and frequented the Cagoulards, but did not join them at any time."

Mr. Mitterrand, who is 76 and due to retire next year after two seven-year terms, has previnusly tended to obscure details of his war service and preware affiliations, dismissing accusations nf active support for the extreme right as lies.

Bloodstain on IRA truce fuels blacklash fear



Two bullet holes in the windscreen of Catholic John McNabs car, is the scene of the first sectarian killing since the IRA announcement of ceasefire after twenty

BELFAST (R) — Northern Ireland's new dreams nf peace were jolted hy the stark reality of sectarian hatred on Friday after gunmen killed a Catholic tn try to provoke the IRA into hreakng its historic ceasefire.

Pnlice said the Thursday night killing bore all the halfmarks of an attack hy the shadowy Protestant killer gangs which fear that peace on the Irish Republican Army's terms would threaten the province's British status.

The first hloodstain nn the ceasefire coincided with a furious row over the transfer to the province from Britain of an IRA activist who was jailed for plotting to hlow up Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and other members of the British cahinet in a spectacular bombing a de-

The Beflast killing realised the worst fears of church leaders and politicians who believe protestant extremists will kill Catholics at random to goad the IRA into retaliation, shattering the Repoblicans' public commitment to

Protestant extremists have hinted at vengeance and warned of civil war over the IRA's decision to halt its 25-year armed struggle against British rule in Northern Ireland to seek progress in the political arena alone.

transfer of IRA prisoners to the province was not a reward for the gnerrilla truce. But "unionists" hitterly opposed to the IRA's goal of a united Ireland still suspect it is the first sign of "appease-

Derek Lewis, the British Thursday's transfer of the "politically motivated."

But this was unlikely to

on the stroke of midnight on

Britain has insisted that its

prison chief who approved four IRA inmates, tried to calm the row on Friday, saying the move was months in the making and was not

staunch the suspicions of a secret "sell-out" of the province's Protestant majority community that lay behind Thursday night's bloodshed. The first sectarian killing since the ceasefire took effect

Wednesday happened in a

five years of troubles in Northern Ireland. The incident happened in the Catholic area of Antrim, North Belfast (AFP photo)

mixed Catholic-Protestant neighbourhood nf Belfast.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility. But the nutlawed Ulster Freedom Fighters admitted early on Friday they were behind a second attack overnight on a Catholic taxi driver, who escaped injury in the shoot-

Alban Maginnis, a local councillor for the moderate Nationalist Social Democratie and Labour Party, said the fatal shooting of the 22-yearold Catholic was deliberately designed to provoke the IRA into breaking its ceasefire.

"It is all very characteristic of previous loyalist attacks in that area," he said.

The killing, the row over the prisoner transfer and British donbts about whether the IRA move amounted to the permanent ceasefire it needs before opening a full dialogue with the IRA's political wing all combined to dampen the initial euphoria.

A former conservative minister badly injured in the 1984 IRA bombing of a party conference in the resort town

of Brighton condemned the decision to move the IRA prisoners closer to their fami-

hes in Northern Ireland. "The timing of this move makes it look like an early reward for the IRA or an act of crass political incompetence," said former Conservative Party politician Sir Norman Tehbit.

His anger was echoed hy William Trimble of the province's higgest "Unionst"

"How can we persuade anybody that they are not being sold out, when we have the sort of crass decision which was taken yesterday by an utter idiot who doesn't seem to understand the political sensitivity that he's dealing with," he said in a radio

One of the transferred prisoners, Patrick Magee, is serving a life term for the Brighton bombing which killed five people and injured 30. A second man, Gerard McDonnell, was sentenced to life on charges of helping Magee plan his bombing spree in British resorts.

British convict transfer sparks row over IRA truce

LONDON (R) — The trans- not politically motivated. er to a Northern Ireland jail of IRA prisoners, including one who tried to kill Margaret Thatcher and her cabinet, sparked charges on Friday that Britain had struck a secret deal to win a truce with the IRA.

Protestant nnionists also said extremists may have have been so angered by Thursday's move that they retaliated by shooting dead a Catholic man in Belfast in the first sectarian killing since the Irish Republican Army de-

clared a ceasefire. But prison chief Derek Lewis, target of Prime Minister John Major's fury over the clamsiness of the transfer's timing, refused to resign

and insisted the moves were

The man convicted of trying to kill Mrs. Thatcher, Mr. Major's predecessor as premier, and three inmates were transferred from the British mainland on Thursday, the day the IRA began a truce in its 25-year guerrilla campaign against Britain.

"What a time to reward terror," trumpeted the headline in The Daily Mail. The transfers inflamed tension in Belfast, where hun-

dreds of people gathered in the Protestant Shankill road

on Thursday might to accuse the government of a sell-out. Protestant politician William Ross said the transfer could have been partly to hlame for the death of a

Catholic man, shot dead hy

the ceasefire. "Any official who calmly went out and moved these

folk without recourse to his political masters behaved in a most foolish fashion," said ross, a Northern Ireland member of the British parlia-Mr. Major, walking a tight-

within 24 hours of the start of

rope between Protestants wanting to maintain links with Britain and Irish nationalists aspiring to Irish unity, was said hy an aide to "hloody livid" and he ordered an immediate in-

The four prisoners moved temporarily to Northern Ireland jails included Patrick Magee, convicted for his part

Protestant extremist gunmen in trying to kill Mrs. Thatcher the Conservative Party conference in 1984.

Derek Lewis, director general of the prison service, said the transfers, for a period of six months, were part of a programme drawn Ministers approved the

programme but were not consulted on the timing of the transfers, he told BBC

"These transfers had been announced beforehand. They were in no way politically motivated," Mr. Lewis said.

He said he had no plans to resign over the affair, but added: "To the extent that these developments have cansed problems, I very much regret that.'

Georgians, Abkhazians agree efforts on refugees

GENEVA (R) - Georgia and leaders from rehel Abkhazia agreed on Friday to make "best efforts" to complete preparations for the return of Georgian refugees who fled the rebel region in

fighting last year.
The Ahkhazians, who are seeking a form of independence from the ex-Soviet Transcaucasian republic, also agreed to attend a session nf a quadripartite commission on the refugee issue to be held in the Russian city of Sochi on Sept. 6.

The agreement was formalised in a statement signed by the two sides after three days of talks in Geneva, one of several centres where negotiations aimed at hringing peace in the region are held under United Nations media-

U.N. mediator Edouard Brunner of Switzerland told reporters at the signing cere-mony that he had the commitment of both delegations that they would work "in a positive spirit" in Sochi tn get an official refugee return on

Agreement on the return, which could eventually in-volve the between 250,000 and 300,000 people who fled when Ahkhazian forces seized full control of the region a year ago, was first reached in April.

But implementation of a first stage involving up tn 80,000 from the border Gali region has been stalled in squabbling over how it would be organised, and the Ahkhazians boycotted a meeting of

the quadripartite commission in Sochi last month. The commission includes Georgia, the Ahkhazians,

Russia and representatives of the Geneva office of the U.N.'s UNHCR refugee agency which is planning and will supervise the return. A small U.N. nbserver

mission was reinforced in June by a 2,500-strong Russian peacekeeping force authorised by the world body who have heen deployed along the Inguri River, which forms the Ahkhaz border with the rest of Georgia.

Despite Friday's himited agreement, Mr. Brunner said accord on an overall political settlement still appeared a long way off. 'The positions of the two sides are rather far apart," the Swiss diplomat

Mntual suspicions and passions roused by the bitter fighting in 1992 and 1993 — in which thousands of people were killed and both sides accused each other of atrocities and cultural genocide made a settlement difficult.

"But a return of refugees and effective peacekeeping will make a good contribution to achieving a political agreement," Mr. Brunner

The two sides are due to return tn Geneva in the second week on October to continue talks nn the future relationship between Ahkhazia and the rest of Georgia. U.N. officials say total independence for Ahkhazia is ex-

Major quake hits off northern California coast

SAN FRANCISCO (R)-A major earthquake struck off the Northern California coast Thursday, shaking up residents from central California to sonthern Oregon, hut there were no immediate reports of injuries or damage.

An earthquake measuring 6.9 on the Richter scale hit in the Pacific Ocean 145 km west of Eureka, nn the northem California coast, said Frank Baldwin, a spokesman for the national earthquake information centre in Golden, Colnrado.

The quake off Eureka, a fishing and lumber town 400 kms north of San Francisco, was felt at 8:16 a.m. PDT (11:16 a.m. EDT), he said.

He said there were no immediate reports of injuries or damage although the quake was felt as far south as Fresnn in central California and as far north as southern Ore-

The National Earthquake Information Centre said that earlier reports from California officials of three separate major quakes in the area were incorrect.

The seismographic station at the University of California at Berkeley also said there was nn majnr quake, which it measured at 6.8 on the Richter scale. It said the main quake was being fol-lowed by many smaller after-

Seismologists said because the quake was centred in the ocean its damage effect was dampened.

The area closest to the

quake, Humboldt County in northern California, was hit by a major earthquake in 1992 which damaged 300 homes, injured 95 people and caused more than \$50 million of damage.

But residents of Petrolia, a small coastal town badly damaged in the 1992 quake, said Thursday's quake was nothing like the earlier shak-

"It was like a slnw rolling... It wasn't vinlent or anything," said Petrolia Post-master Jackier Roscoe.

The old Petrolia post office was destroyed in the 1992 quake and Mr. Roscoe has been operating the town's mail facility out of a temporary trailer arrangement ever

Alarmed residents of Sacramento and Palo Alto called into a San Francisco radin station to say they had felt a strong rolling motion lasting some 30 seconds.

While there was no immediate reports of damage, the California Office Of Emergency Services said it was sending experts to Humboldt County just in case.

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Hope for Ireland too

THE DECLARATION last week of a "comsiete cessation" of violence in Northern ireland by the outlawed Irish Republican Army (IRA) may have taken some countries and parties by surprise, but the ceasefire fits traite well with the spirit of the new internaional era. The historic unilateral end of inertifies by the IRA comes on the heels of timilar moves by other "liberation" movements across the world, notably in the Wildlie East, Latin America and Africa, where the military option was superceded by political processes aiming to resolve the conflicts in question.

It is true that every such positive development was met with opposition from splinter and extremist groups, which promised to fight on. No wonder then that loyalist paramilitary groups in Northern Ireland were swift in rejecting the offer of peace by the ERA and promised to continue their military

struggle. The combined Loyalist Military Command - the umbrella group, which includes the outlawed Ulster Freedom Fighters and the Ulster Volunteer Force, is obviously not comfortable with the positive development as it might prefer the worn-ont methods of the past to frustrate the political ends of the IRA. The killing of a North-Irish Catholic man Thursday in the wake of the IRA announcement of a ceasefire came as further evidence that opposition to the peace process in Northern Ireland is not about to lay down its arms, something which resembles the fate of the peace process in this region of the world and elsewhere, where extremist forces

appear to have vested interests in the per-

petuation of the armed struggle. The 25-year-old armed conflict in Northera Ireland has claimed the lives of no less than 3,000 people and left some 36,000 injured or maimed. Being in essence a sectarian strife, the violence was particularly bloody and vicious. The futility of this religious and political war waged by both sides of the fence was bound to end at the appropriate international and regional time. The international climate became favourable to the termination of hostilities when the new international order consolidated its grip on international and regional theatres. Last Becember's Anglo-Irish declaration, which sifiered the IRA's political wing, Sin Finn, a place in the peace process, provided also the seiting within which the IRA found room for manceuvring without losing face.

We in the Middle East cannot but take comfort from the fact that the steps towards peace in the Middle East are being emulated elsewhere in the world. We certainly hope inal it is time for the Irish and other strife-ridden people around the world to they their own peace.

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. COLUMNIST in Al Dustour expressed the view that the coming 11.N. population conference in Cairo is pointless now that the Vatican as well as the leadership of the Islamic World have condemned it and called for its boycott. Perhaps Egypt's insistence on hosting the conference is aimed at proving that the country enjoys security, but this is bound to hackfire because the extremists would see in the Christian-Islamic refusal of such a conference an opportunity to escalate their opposition to it hy every possible means, said Taher Al Adwan. The organisers are working of her the will of the religious leaders whose words are . All liceded by the common people who are not likely to the conference's resolutions or recommendations, in the writer. But, he said, one has to admit that the Third World, including the Arah and Islamic countries, continue to face hunger and other economic ills due to the

large size of their population. Not only thousands die because of starvation in these countries but also their nations are bound to lose independence the moment they seel: Western help, he added. The writer said that there must be other means for tackling the population explosion problem that would be acceptable to religion and the cultural traditions and conforming to morals and ethics.

BASSAM EMOUSH, a columnist in Al Ra'i, supported talls made by political parties and the needy people for intry of Education-imposed contributions at

County to the sufficient of the County of th their schools, said the vinter, who is also the ment of Parliament. The country is facing economic cafficulies, the income of the poor families is barely registerer for subsistence and the cost of living is so high in antidan that what was known to be the middle class has disappeared, said the writer.

Jordanian Perspective

By Dr. Musa Keilani

Linking up with expatriates

AMID INTENSIVE moves in the country to create an environment more conducive for foreign investment, one of the main factors that should not be overlooked is the role

In the mid-1980s, His Majesty King Hussein himself took the lead in emphasising the role of the expatriates in this effort and launched a process that was designed to bring about stronger links between the Kingdom and its sons living abroad. After an initial round of excitement, the initiative lagged behind, particularly in the aftermath of the

economic problems that confronted Jordan in the late 80s.

Indeed, those moves, launched by King Hussein and closely followed up by His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Regent, and senior officials went a long way in encouraging many expatriates to adopt a new look towards their homeland. For many, it might only have meant planning a visit to Jordan from whatever corner of the

globe they were in but it was a strong start.

Officials initially worked to encourage this emerging relationship between the Kingdom and Jordanian expatriates. Eventually, however, these efforts came to a halt. It was also clear that expatriates cannot be expected to invest in their home country for the sake of investment. There has always been definitely an interest and this

sentiment had to be exploited. Today, in the wake of the dramatic breakthroughs in Jordan's quest for a negotiated settlement to the Arab-Israeli conflict, prospects are excellent for relaunching the effort to attract Jordanian expatriate investments along the same lines that are applicable to foreign investments.

In addition, we could offer a series of added incentives to

our expatriates to invest in their homeland. It is very much within reasonable hope that we would be successful if we put in the right effort in the right direction.

Granted, a large of number of expatriates has returned home in the wake of the Gulf crisis. But they represent only a faction of Jordanians settled abroad. The United States and the rest of Americas as well as European countries are the adopted homes for several thousand Jordanians, a good part of whom are more likely than not interested in exploring and utilising chances for investment in and also building stronger links with their homeland in the bargain.

To put it simply, it is time for us to launch a fresh initiative to huild stronger links with our people outside. The starting point of our efforts is clearly the information media. Today, the foreign media is in a frenzy trying to figure out when Jordan would sign a peace accord with Israel rather than when the Kingdom might be able to regain its rights and then sign a peace agreement. Of course, we cannot expect the foreign media to do our joh for us. For them, sensationalism and groundhreaking news are the priority.

In this context, which definitely brings the focus on the role of our own media, one might ask the question: Do we know what is the estimated number of Jordanian expatriates who tune to the Arabic-language foreign channel (satellite) programmes of Jordan Television, or the frequencies of Jordan Radio targetted mainly at Jordanian expatriates and other Arabs?

Have we undertaken any effort to project through these channels the economic opportunities that Jordan offers in a situation of peace, security and stability? Or is it simply a matter of launching the channels, setting routine work and then forgetting about them, with no one bothering about follow-up work on developing them as a means for communications between Jordan and its people outside? We would like to think otherwise, but then we have to acknowledge that this is the reality.

An important role for an evolving CSCE

By John J. Maresca

WASHINGTON - At the Paris summit meeting of 1990, when the leaders of 36 states signed the Charter of Paris for a new Europe, hopes were high that the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) would form the basis for a new relationship among the nations of Europe and North

America.
The CSCE played a key role in opening up Com-munist societies and ending the cold war. But in the messy lukewarm peace that has followed, the CSCE has slipped into obscrutiy.

It has suffered in part from overblown expectations. Political leaders and national bureaucracies, all wanted to load it with pet projects. Its core structure as remained weak and unable to manage these activi-ties well. And the CSCE seemed unable to deal with security problems, in ex-

But it has been quietly building a record of useful innovation in the area of preventive diplomacy. It has shown it can help to head off the kinds of conflicts we have seen in the last few years; in this, it

should be strengthened. CSCE monitors were actively watching over the human rights of ethnic Albanians in Kosovo until the Serbian government judged them too effective

By Evans and Novak

WASHINGTON - Rus-

sian warplanes and pilots

financed by Saudi Arabian

cash secretly conducted

bombing missions during

the just-completed civil war in Yemen, shocking U.S.

officials and raising fresh

questions about a new

appeal from Moscow for

partnership with

At about the same time

Russia was intervening in

Yemen's civil war, Presi-

dent Boris Yeltsin's appeal for a closed-circle U.S.-

Russia embrace was being

explained in Washington to

congressional leaders. The

explanation was made July

20 by Mr. Yeltsin lieutenant

Vladimir Shumeiko, speak-er of the upper house in

The Yemen operation,

confirmed privately hy a

Clinton administration offi-

cial, may never be acknow-

ledged publicly. U.S.

sources may not even know

whether the planes and

operation beyond control of

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Russia's 14th Army surrep-

titiously tried to intervene

against Yeltsin in last year's aborted coup. They also fought against Georgian leader Ednard Shevard-

nadze in the Abkasbia con-

flict. In both cases, the

military high command in

Mescow maintained de-

Publicising the covert

Saudi-Russian arrangement could damage President Bill Clinton's policy of building and maintaining close ties to Mr. Yeltsin, which is

increasingly questioned by

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Washington.



and asked them to leave. A CSCE mission was the first to arrive in Skopje, the capital of newly indepen-dent Macedonia. CSCE missions in Estonia and Latvia are helping to defuse tension hetween ethnic Russians and indigenous

A CSCE mission in Georgia is seeking a peaceful solution to the conflict in South Ossetia. The CSCE Minsk Group has created a face-to-face negotiating the Nagorno-Karahakh war. The list goes on.

The CSCE can go places NATO cannot, because it wields no military threat and includes all the states of Europe. North America and the former Soviet Union on an equal basis. It can shape its missions

to suit specific situations, and its consensus procedures lend these missions

credibility.
The CSCE has unique potential for an effective role in the newly indepen-

dent states of the former Soviet Union, since all are members and have signed on to its principles and pro-

The CSCE, alone amonng international organisatioo, has accepted the challenge of bringing these distant regions into a real relationship with the international community and saving them from isolation. while helping promote CSCE values.

Preventive diplomacy is definition tedious and low-key. But it is far cheaper than peacekeeping, reconstruction or war.

We need to strengthen this process. The traditional functions of the CSCE need not be downgraded. Its emphasis on human rights, openness, economic liberty. rule of law and democracy is more important than

To perform effectively, the CSCE needs strong leadership and a more developed structure, and its operations should be con-

centrated in one place. The chairmanship of the CSCE rotates among member countries' foreign ministers on a oue-year hasis. But no foreign minister can give this job the attention it requires. Foreign ministers in the chairman role rarely even visit Vienna, the CSCE's main place of busi-

The secretary-general position currently bas only administrative responsibilities and no real authority. It cannot provide necessary leadership. The CSCE has virtually no permanent staff. Its institutions and meetings are scattered all over Europe. These features should be corrected and the organisation's. structure streamlined...

The next summit meeting of the CSCE, to be held in Bndapest in early December, will provide an opportunity to strengthen the organisation and sharpen its focus on preventive di-

Leading CSCE member states need to propose steps that will consolidate the organisation's activities in one place under a full-time secretary-general of ministerial stature, and give that position the authority to guide the organisation effectively.

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Russian games

The policy paper said the United States and Russia "must think about the harmonisation of the interests of our two countries in the international arms markets." It named Iran as a Russian sales target, even though Washington considers Iran the primary source of anti-Israel terrorism. It also called for U.S. help to "finance" Moscow's oil and gas sales to former Soviet republics. ignoring extortionate pipeline deals Russia has imposed on its neighbours in seeking to exercise economic dominance.

critics on Capitol Hill. It could also hurt U.S. relations with the Saudi monoarchy, the key American ally in the Gulf, whose fear of political contamination from a truly democratic Yemen led to the financing of Russian warplanes.

Mr. Shumeiko came to Washington for one reason: to preach the gospel of partnership with the U.S. armed forces. His 14-page policy guideline proposed a virtual Russian-American condominium over peacekeeping, global arms sales and export of military and other technology to third countries. Once the target of Cocom, the West's export control mechanism, Moscow now wants to join it as an equal.

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Mr. Shumeiko stressed that "our peacekeeping activities have nothing in common with neo-imperial ambitions." But if the United States expects United Nations approval to invade sovereign states such as Haiti, Mr. Clinton must understand that "we have the same right to expect genuine support of our efforts to regulate conflicts" in the former Soviet Union. The document Mr. Shumeiko read from did not exclude the Baltic nations from Russian pressure

tactics. "Partnership is possible only through a process of equilibrium of the corresponding forces of Russia and the United States," the paper asserted. Europe was not mentioned. To some U.S. officials, that sounds

like a Russian-American condominium. It was during Mr. Shumeiko's visit that Washington finally supported a U.N. resolution giving Russia's "peacekeeping" authority over Georgia and Ahkashia. Mr. Shnmeiko's approach to NATO's future

will escalate German fears over a Moscow-Washington embrace at Europe's ex-pense. His paper praised Mr. Clinton's Partnership for Peace, hut also called the "transformation" of NATO to make it conform to "new conditions." That suggests a desire by Mos-cow to phase ont the West-ern alliance and make it wither away, a terrifying prospect for Poland and other former Soviet satellites who spent the last half century under the Russian heel.

German Defence Minister Volker Ruhe explicitly stated German concerns over Russia and NATO in his landmark Berlin speech just before Mr. Clinton's visit there last month. Ruhe said Washington must state clearly that Russia cannot have a "deepened strategic partnership with the United States" and at the same time he hronght into NATO.

Germany is a stumbling block to Mr. Yeltsin's courtship of Mr. Clinton. So are the sceptical members of Congress who talked to Mr. Shumeiko. But if President Clinton learns that Russian aircraft bombed for Saudi Arabia in far-off Yemen, even he might decide to slow the pace of American-Russian brotherhood.

THE WEEK IN PRINT

King's European tour a major success

By Elia Nasrallah

THE LOCAL Arabic press addressed His Majesty The King's tour of European nations, the Middle East peace process, the situation in Iraq and domestic issues in its editorial coverage in

the past week.

Al Ra'i daily said that King Hussein has achieved astounding success in his visits to Germany and France, where he sought support for the Kingdom's peace endeavours.

Jordan continues to maintain strong ties with the two European nations, which, the paper said, have spared no effort in securing aid to the country in times

Tareq Masarweh, a col-unnist in Al Ra'i, said that King Hussein has maintained strong relations with the European nations, which were not affected by the Gulf crisis and the other upheavals which the Middle East had witnessed over the years. The King's brief visits to France and Germany this week, said the columnist, were vital to keep these countries informed of the realities in the region and to ensure continued support for the Kingdom's peace en-

Ahmad Al Misleh criticised U.S. President Bill Clinton for demanding from Arab states to normalise their relations with Israel and end their boycott of the Jewish state. The columnist, who writes for Al Ra'i daily, said while making these demands, the president is strengthening israel's hand in the occu-pied lands and is placing Arah states on the list of countries encouraging ter-rorism. This does not help the cause of peace, neither does Washington's drive to secure and ensure its own selfish interest in the Arab World at the expense of the

Criticising the result of a survey conducted recently by the Centre of Strategic Studies at the University of Jordan about public sup-port for peace with Israel, a writer in Al Dustour said that the method used and the presentation of the resuits were similar to those adopted by the official information services. Hisham Uzeizat said that these services have been exerting effort towards persuading the people of Jordan to

accept the result of the Jordanian-Israeli negotiations saying that the centre states that the survey was conducted between Aug. 18 and 20 while the negotiations were still at the initial stage, the writer said that the 80 per cent support for peace could change any mo-ment, depending on the progress of the talks and whether they would achieve fruitful results, especially if Israel continues to go back on its promises.

This view was supported by Fahed Al Fanek, a writer in Al Ra'i, who said that it is feared that the supporters of peace in Jordan would shrink in number with the passage of time and if the negotiating pro-cess is prolonged. The 80 per cent support at this stage, said Dr. Fanek, reflects the general mood at present, especially as Jor-

dan is promised a return of its land and water rights and the return of the refugees or their compensation, but one cannot predict the development of the future.

Samih Maaitah, a columnist in Al Dustour, demanded that the government be frank about its position and inform the public about the price Jordan would pay in exchange for a settlement with Israel.

It is reasonable to think that the Israelis are the stronger party and hold all the cards in the negotiations, and that they would seek to achieve something from their talks with Jordan. He said the Palestinians accepted selfrule and gave concessions to Israel's occupation of most of Palestine, and it remains to be seen what Jordan would give up in return for peace

Mohammad Kawash, a columnist in Al Dustour, attacked the Israeli government for trying to make it impossible for the Palestine National Authority to succeed in its mission.

The Israelis are blocking the path of the local Palestinian authority's drive to promote health, educational, agricultural and tourists services and is pressuring the donor nations against providing assistance to the Palestinians, said the wri-

At the same time, the Israelis are escalating their drive to burden the local Palestine authority with additional tasks in security and political matters with the aim of aborting the selfrule system, which the writer said, is a prelude to full independence.

Al Dustour daily said that Israel was working against the peace process through further manifestations of arrogance and rep-ression in the West Bank in general and Hebron in par-

Peace requires opening a new chapter of cooperation and co-existence but the Israelis are determined to keep the worshippers away from the Al Ibrahimi Mosque and allowing the Jews to pray at the shrine, thus deepening the hatred be-tween the two sides, said

Commenting on the controversy revolving around the upcoming U.N. World Population Conference in Cairo, Fakhri Saleh, a colunnist in Al Dustour, said that the increase in the rate of the population on Earth is a chronic issue that must be tackled by the world community through dialgoue and not through im-

will on the poor countries The writer criticised U.S. Vice President Al Gore for linking continued Western aid to Third World nations with their acceptance of the coming conference's resolutions, saying that this is a form of pressure on the poor nations.

The right reply to calls for controlling the increase in population should be in the form of serious studies of needs of the poor countries and adoption of methods that could ensure sustainable development. said Huda Fakhouri, a coiumnist in Al Ra'i. The writer said that the Arabs and Muslims can by no means accept cultural and intellectual hegemony as it is cur-rently sought by the West-

Ahmad Dabbas, a columnist in Sawt Al Shaab, drew attention to the need for ending the sanctions on Iraq and for the Arab countries' responsibility to put an end to the suffering of the Iraqi people.

Reports from UNICEF and other humanitarian and health organisations say infant mortality rates in Iraq are on the rise due to malnutrition and the spread of preventable diseases, said the writer.

The Arah states ought to make moves at the official and public levels to exercise pressure on the world community to end the sanctions, said the writer.

Abdullah Al Khatib, a columnist in Al Dustour. suggested that the Ministry of Education end long summer vacations and instead give the students short vacations spread over the year. The writer said that experiences of advanced nations have proved that short vacations and longer periods of work for the students enable them to become more competitive and

hard workers and can ensure their success in the future. A long summer vacation is a waste of time which said the writer. should be utilised in a manner that would be beneficial to the students and their communities at large.

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'An honourable cause needs honourable men'

By Abdul Qader Yassine The question of Palestine

has been discussed politically, historically, geographically and from almost every other point of view. Have yon beard the story of "the elephant and the Palestine Question?" There is an old ioke, sometimes told on Palestinians and sometimes on Jews, but with the same basic punchline: There is an international competition for essays on the elephant. The various nations of the world submit their works. The British have studied "the elephant in sport". The Germans have produced a multi-volume scientific treatise on the elephant; the Americans a glossy picture book. Then comes the next entry from a Palestinian (or a Jew): The Elephant and the Palestine question" (or "the Jewish question"). The joke reminds us that many cultural and ethnic groups, for perhaps under-standable reasons, will examine any problem. whether related or not, through the lens of their

own particular occupations. This article will look at the problem from an "en-terprise" point of view. To most of the Arah leaders, Palestine was no more than an enterprise, a milch cow, a future Hong Kong (not to say Monaco), a commodity, a first Bayan (communique) in every coup d'état in the Arab World from Syria's Husni Az-Za'im to Libya's Mu'ammar Al Qadhafi. Why then shouldn't we look at it from that point of view and assess the gross mis-management of that enterprise, using the last techniques in management science as applied by the corporate world of multinationals: the American IBM, the Dutch Shell Oil and the Japanese Toshiba?

The Zionists came to Palestine united and wellequipped. We faced them disunited and ill-equipped. They loved the land and each other. We abandoned the land and liquidated each other, Leading upper-class families like Al Husseini and Al Nashashibi of Jerusalem fought each other over every possible thing under the sun except

The 1936-1939 Great Revolt which proclaimed the longest strike in modern history degenerated into personal vendettas. One prominent Palestinian was captured by a gang from the opposite camp in those days. He offered his wife's gold and jewellery for free-dom to no avail. He finally begged them for one last request: to shoot him first, then his son. The gang still refused to grant him this buman wish and shot his son before his eyes... then shot him. How much have we really changed? How many stupidities have been committed in the name of

Palestine? Let us fast-forward our tragic saga from 1936 through 1948 and skip to the year 1967. On the eve of the Battle of Al Karameh (March 21st, 1968), our people were ignited with hope, pride and love to sacrifice. His Majesty King

Hussein stood up and said 'now we are all Feda'yeen". Palestinian representatives toured the Gulf area collecting funds. Palestinian women gave up their gold and jewellery for tbe cause. Palestinian employees donated 5-10 per cent of their salaries or more. Other Arab nationals were no less generous. The Palestinians have demonstrated to the whole world the feasibility of being united. Our people overcame differences, knew exactly what they enacted and stood proud, all for one and one for all. Unfortunately that revolutionary condition has never existed ever since. Every route leading to anything resembling that condition have so far proven clusive, except for the first three years of the intifada. The high tide of corruption reached there too, and wrapped its tenta-cles around the budding revolution and poisoned our

The pattern of decay

Instead of standing on one front against a welldefined enemy, the Palestinian resistance movement fractured along lines of personality, family, tribe, ideology and Arah sponsorship. Palestine itself fell in a foggy area of the mental picture. It was never mentioned in the final communiqué of many a meeting of the various liberation

Slogans dominated the field as they do now on the walls of the West Bank. "Long live the revolutionary tactic that leads to a strategy," read one slogan I saw in a BBC report from Jerusalem last month. Unethical acts of nepotism, favouritism and hasic greed ran pneontrolled at all levels; left, right and in the middle.

Governments, including

the Israeli government, penetrated most, if not all Palestinian organisations. Some high-ranking PLO officers worked for Israel; yet some faced Israeli jets in southern Lebanon and were mown down in their prime. In his book "fsrael's Lebanon War," Ze'ev Schiff, the defence editor of Ha'aretz, Israel's most prestigious daily, describes how a group of 60 Palestinian fighters, "some of them were so young as to be mere children," managed to stop an Israeli armoured battalion for four hours in southern Lehanon before being killed. Soon the days when the leaders came and visited their fighters in the field were gone. Now the top brass in the Palestinian movement lived in high-rise huildings in Beirut or Damascus or even in south-

Diplomacy was in vogue well before the 1982 Israeli invasion of Lehanon. The focus had shifted from the mission of liberating Palestine to a mission of "how can we get the Americans to talk to us?" The sign-posts on the road to Jerusalem began to fall one after another. The dream that was born at Al Karameh will die - it seems - at Jericho across the river

ern France.

First it was Palestine, a free, democratic, secular, Palestine; then it became the 1967 Palestine and the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) huttons saying "25 years of occupation" (distributed in 1992), then "we will never go back to negotiations before all deportees are allowed to return (according to U.N. Security Council Resolution 799)" then "Jerusalem or bust", and now "Jericho and Gaza...

This pattern was set in motion a very long time ago. Its execution has now hecome too ohvious to hide. The huhhle has hurst. The stench fills the air. Our leaders have reached the end of their tether. They are consumed, exhausted and must exit. They have achieved all they could. We have suffered as much as we could stand. They are not traitors. They are inept.

An hondurable cause, like the Palestine question, needs honourable men and

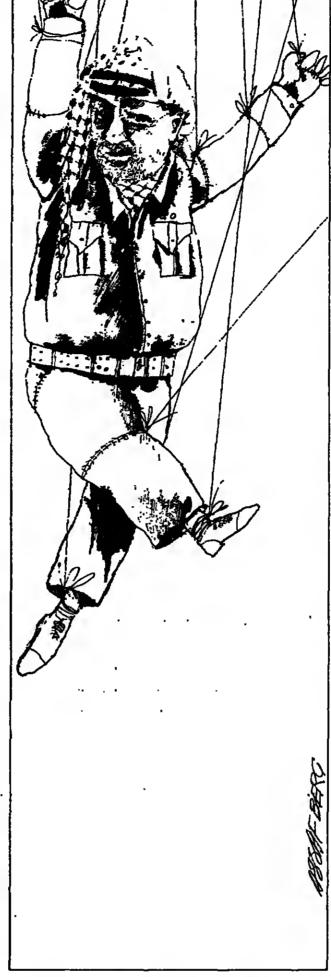
What is to be done?

The current economic recession has affected all, the poor as well as the mighty. Banks and giant corporations have gone under. Heads of governments, ministers of finance, presidents of large corporations. have found themselves on the street. New trends in management have been dis-

The focus is no longer oo huying big machines, newer gadgets or even new markets. The focus has shifted on manpower, on the human factor, on the individual. Three months ago. Imperial Chemical Industries, one of the largest companies in England, paid £50 million for consultant fees. Their policy states that "employees are the most important asset we have." Training programmes have been designed for all levels to reshape the character of each individual, to assign a role for each task, to hold someonne accountable for every step, to judge managers and team leaders on results, not on activities or good intentions. As you surely know, the road to hell is paved with good in-

Mission Statements, Total Quality Management, Re-engineering the cor-poration are only a few of the terms in the new science of management. IBM, Ford, Shell, Dupont and even the White House (in which Yasser Arafat discovered "a new friend of the Palestinian people") are all engaging management consultant to sort their mess out. So, I said, why not Palestine? A junior officer in the American Emhassy in Tunis or Cairo often advises the PLO. A juvenile delinquent writes about Palestine. A foreign jour-nalist expresses himself on Jerusalem. In a nutshell the sanctity of our country has heen defiled. And so. again, why not me? Here is what I think we should do:

I. We have to recognise and come to terms with the fact that we have tost round



one of the war with Israel and its sponsors. We must recognise that we are now negotiating the terms of surrender. Calling it hy any other name will be "donkey-isation" at its worst, like calling Anwar Al Sadat the faithful presi-

2. We have to define our mission succinctly and clearly. We have to define what exactly we want ulti-

mately to achieve, then stick with it. A mission is the engine of the vehicle of any movement, organisa-tion or the life of an individual. Mission provides direction, it arranges priorities and cuts through the fog of rhetoric. Mission is what people live and die for. Mission is what cements people to their lead-

ers and to each other.

Theodor Herzl's mission

was simple: the "establish-ment of a Jewish homeland in Palestine within 50 years." That was it!! Ten words, no music, no IFs, no BUTs. It had the answers to what?", to "who?", to "where?" and to "when?". What was left to be answered was "how?". To answer "how?", a strategy was prepared with well-

defined goals, responsibility, accountability and time schedules. And they (the Zionists) went to work. It was not easy for them 3. We must restructure the individual and, subse-

quently, the national character in relation to principles, not things or persons. In order to gain stability and begin recovery we must rehuild our moral/ethical foundation and modify our behaviour. Integrity, honesty and trust are among the basic principles we must reinstate in our life style. It is no longer sufficient for someone to say, for example, that be or she believes in God if that belief does not lead to action or is not reflected in his or her be-

According to Blaise Pascal (1623-1662), "manners of behaviour depend greatly on whether one believes in the hereafter or not." To recover and win the next round, we must huild a corruption-free character.

We cannot (and should not) compete with the West and Israel in the field of arms. We should not try to huild a plane for a plane, a bomb for a bomb and a gun for a gun. The West destroyed the Soviet Union hy forcing it to compete with them that way.

The struggle for Palestine is much deeper than that and we can win it. The struggle is between "technology" which they have and "ideas" which we have, between a civilisation that has dehumanised man and a civilisation that upholds human dignity above oil. Coca Cola, Cadillac, Dallas, sex and dollars.

Egypt was conquered by a force of 3000 bedonins. Time and again, idea triumphed over technology. Strong morals in the hands of the poor can defeat armies at the edge of Western technology.

We are not asking for more than our people's inalienable right to selfdetermination, a right which every body in the West takes for granted. After 77 years of struggle, our people need peace more than any other people in the world. But we want real peace, peace that could be accepted, not imposed. The Gaza-Jericho option does not have the necessary support of the Palestinian peo-

As far as this agreement is concerned, there is nothing that answers the just demands and aspirations of our people. In a recent interview in the Londonbased pro-Saudi newspaper Al-Sharq Al-Awsat, Nabii Shaath, "minister" of Planning and International Cooperation in the Palestine National Authority, said that "President Arafat is making history". I don't

to say that the "history" he is talking about is the Palestinians' Versailles.

The Palestinian people

have got nothing. We are still only at the theoretical level and right now no one is satisfied. In the same interview Shaath says that "80,000 Palestinians were waving flags in Gaza welcoming President Arafat". Even if this figure is true (many observers question that and put the figure around 17,000-20,000) flags do not equal freedom. Mr. Arafat has to seek permission from Israeli occupation authorities to go to Jericho. The Palestinians in the diaspora feel ignored and het-rayed. "If this is the max-imum that Arafat could get after six years of the intifadah, what will he get now that he is in the hands of the Israelis, on the really important issues like Jerusalem, Jewish settlements and the return of the Palestinians who bave been driven out since 1948? they argue.

The foreign journalists and statesmen who met Mr. Arafat in 1990 felt that he was no longer the man they used to know. He was intoverted, suspicious. His plane crash in the Lihyan desert in 1991 compounded these traits. I thought he would draw the necessary conclusion and widen the leadership of the PLO by admitting the Palestinian Salvation Front; instead, he shrank it. Mr. Arafat probably felt that he could either sit still and go steadily downhill, hecause he had no margin to move and act as a freedom fighter and no petro-dollars were coming from Saudi Arabia, or be could get back into action by relying on Israel and on emarking on his dangerous

adventure. The psychological aspect of this is that Mr. Arafat, being aware of his symbolic role, started to feel that if his stomach felt O.K., then the stomach of the Palestinian people must feel O.K. He thought that if he was victorious in Washington, then we were all victorious. honestly believe that Mr. Arafat got trapped by being in Tunis, away from our Palestinian masses. He has been enchanted by the role of CNN. In that way he imitating Mr. Sadat.

According to the Dec-laration of Principles signed in Washington between the PLO and Israel, the Zionist state commits itself to nothing Mr. Arafat gave up everything, including the legitimate right to resist. Right now, Palestinians have got the right to manage the world's largest prison, the Gaza Strip, plus one the Irish in 1921 got Tralee and a few acres in West Cork, with Britain holding the entire eastern haif. Belfast, Duhlin, Waterford, its army free to roam at will across the Irish enclaves, themselves fragmented by British highways and

drained of water. There will be no Palestinian sovereignty and the economy will be completely subordinated to Israel's. As the Israeli economy is inter-

nationalised, foteign companies will set up sweetshops in Gaza and the West Bank. and the Palestinians will furnish the labour for six U.S. dollar a day. Members of the Palestine Liberation Army, imported from outside the occupied territories, will do the policing, just as the sepoys did for the British in India.. The Hehrew-language newspaper Yediot Ahronot reported on Aug. 2 that "Israel's security police were already cooperating with the Palestinian police against

extremist groups (Hamas, the Islamic Jihad and the

PFLP) in Gaza."

Seventeen years ago, in August 1977, I wrote an article in The Third World Review titled: "From Dream to Reality: Portrait of a Patestinian State." Fotlowing the end of the state of quiescence that had characterised the Palestinians till 1967, the return began to acquire dialectical images, a trip forward, matching a corresponding shift in folk rhetoric. In the rhetoric of 1977, there was something worse than a West Bank-Gaza state, and that was having nothing. At least the Palestinians (so my argument went) will no longer have their noses ruhbed in the vomit of foreign military occupation, te-

fugee camps, and the destitution of homelessness. The PLO implicity recognised Israel when we joined the United Nations as observers in November 1974. We did it explicitly in 1988, when the Palestinian National Council proclaimed the establishment of the state of Palestine on the basis of U.N. Resolution 181, which called for the partition of Palestine. Moreover, the PLO accepted Resolution 242 and gave up territory that was ours according to Resolution 181. So it is not recognition of Israel that we object to. But we thought that we would come out better on the right to selfdetermination and the right to return. We we thought that we might have to pay more, but we have never thought that we would be party to an agreement that pitchforks us into the unknown and gives up our last card as negotiators, namely the mufadah, our right to resist occupation.

The question of Palestine has reached a critical point. The United States and Israel have won the first round. Out leaders have failed our people and heing corrupt themselves, they have corrupted everything they touched including our revolution. We can win the next round by testructuring our national resources on a moral ground. We can lead the whole Middle East into a better world by being a role model. There are not short cuts.

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An Islamic struggle for Saudi Arabia's soul

By Nora Boustany

RIYADH — Saudi Arabia is the scene of an undeclared hattle between those who want to bring the kingdom into the modern age and those who fear that doing so could harm its cultural identity and religious heritage. Each side invokes its special Islamic character, and the Gulf war, during which American and other foreign forces were based in Saudi Arabia, brought the conflict into sharper focus.

Since then, self-proclaimed reformers seeking a bigger say in how the monarchy conducts foreign policy and spends oil income have found in religion an unchallengeable cover for what are essentially political demands for power and participation.

At the same time, as religrous militancy sweeps cross the Arah World, Saidi Arabia has become more self-righteous about its orthodoxy while holding its society in a straitjacket of public morality. After female American soldiers came to help defend the kingdom four years ago, local religious sensitivities intensified, prompting a backlash by secularists. As a result, strict rules were temporarily lifted, but they have now been reimposed.

Saudi officials, who have observed the tremors of zealotry in Algeria and Egypt erupt into political opposition, note that this country can hardly be outdone in the realm of retigious fundamentalism. Its rulers and most of its conservative population practice a rigorous form of Sunni Islam known as Wahhabism.

"If you look at what people are asking for, they want what is normal in Saudi Arabia," Prince Bandar Ben Sultan, the Saudi ambassador to Washington, said in a recent interview.

"This is a conservative country by its own construc-tion," echoed a Saudi tion," echoed a Saudi cahinet minister. "Fundamentalists in other countries are trying to reinstate what was lost and what Saudis have been doing for

In the 1930s, King Abdulaziz Ben Saud, forged what

is today Saudi Arahia, drawing on the teachings of Mohammad Ahdul Wahhah, an 18th-century preacher who developed the puritancal sect that bears his name. Since the founding of Saudi Arabia in 1932, the religious establishment has been accorded

special consideration.

Now the Council of Ulemas, made up of Islamic scholars, and the Islamic Judicial Court, sit "to the right of the king," according to one Saudi physicist. The appointed members of these bodies act as intermediaries between the state and the younger Islamic

generation that is pushing for power. That class of mosque preachers, judges and professors has spoken out more daringly against corruption and financial mismanagement since the Gulf war, which cost the kingdom \$65 hillion, and has promoted an even stricter application of the Sharia, or Islamic law.

"They have a voice," a secular Saudi said. "They are the only lobby in the country. They are aggressive, obnoxious and very

intimidating, and the government always succumbs to them. The liberals are all cowards. I am one of

An Islamist-oriented lawyer agreed: "The reason is not that the clerics were the only podiums available. The religious sector was the one that had more courage to take the risk and voice an opinion. Everyone is equalty prohibited from deman-

ding change." Saudi groups in exile disavow militant piety or violence, but memories of the 1979 armed takeover of the Grand Mosque in Mecca by a fanatic claiming to be the expected mahdi, or messiah, linger.

Although calling for more openness and "human rights," reformers are seeking an even more puritancial application of Islamic rules.

A weekly newspaper cal-led Al Muslimun — The Muslims — once flourished with a circulation of 170,000. That has now sagged to 20,000 after attacks from the pulpits on its secuiar views

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While one sector of society describes the fastidious enforcement of morality as "social and emotional terror," others contend it is their religious right and duty to propagate virtue and fight vice, and even to interrogate, detain and punish violators. The Interior Minister Prince Nayif, said, however, that members of the mutawa, the religious police, who exceeded their limits were now being punished or

fired. "This country is hypochondriac about its stability," a Saudi economist said.

A Saudi analysis said: This is not a repressive society. This is not a tyranny but people disappear.'

Publications distributed from London by the Committee for the Defence of Legitimate Rights describe scores of arrests without due process and the reprimanding of clerics for sermons considered subver-

The Saudi government has been quietly fighting extremism inside and outside its porders and also attempting to block the use of Istamic charity organisa-tions as channels for infiltration by militants.

"Ten major charities in



based in Saudi Arabia, brought into sharper focus the conflict between reformers and conservatives (File

Riyadh were suddenly dissolved and ordered to stop their activities by a direct order from Prince Salman, the governor of Riyadh,' the Committee for the Defence of Legitimate Rights reported last month.

A lawyer in Riyadh said if preachers give sermons seen as politically provoca-tive, they are dismissed. "Now people are censuring themselves," he said.

Lası year, King Fahd created the Islamic Affairs Ministry so the state could better control and regulate achers, charity organisastreamline the work of mullahs whose mission it is to proselytise here and "Societies that raise

the activities of Islamic pre-

money from private individuals abroad cannot operate unless they have a license to do so," a Saudi official said. The move followed reports from Algeria Sudan and Egypt that weal-thy Saudis were financing extremist movements on their soil.

China top draw for foreign investment, U.N. report says

GENEVA (AP) — China has surpassed all developing countries and trails only the United States as the topdrawing country for investment by major international companies, a U.N. report has

A record total of \$80 bil-lion poured into developing countries in 1993, and China alone accounted for \$26 bilion of the total, according to the report. China, the world's fastest growing economy, was second only to the United States, which received \$32 billion last year.

The upswing in funds directly invested in developed and developing countries followed a reces-sion in the early 1990s which saw direct foreign investment dip. In 1993 developing coun-tries attracted double the amount invested in 1991.

The investment clout of 37,000 parent companies and their 200,000 affiliates worldwide was documented in the World Investment Report. released yearly by the U.N. Conference on Trade and Development. It examines multinational companies' in-Ruence on employment, human resources' development and industrial relations.

duction, the report noted, presents governments, particularly in developing countries with "a genuine policy dilemma" between the need to create jobs and the need to raise labour standards.

Carlos Fortin, deputy to

the secretary-general of the U.N. agency, said "it is incumbent" upon these large companies "to assume responsibility across a wider range of issues." However, he noted the report declined to endorse minimum international labour standards, including the elimination of

child labour.
The 1994 World Investment Report, which covers results through 1993, estimates that the mulfinational corporations have global sales in excess of \$4.8 trillion, which is larger than total world trade. The companies are estimated to directly employ about 73 million people. representing about 20 per cent of employment in de-

veloped countries. China's leap into the front ranks of so-called host countries - where investment dollars are going - was demiracle. In 1991, China rank-

DM/USD 1.58 level in recent days during thin summer

trading conditions, supported by perceptions that U.S.

economic growth was moderating and by renewed hopes for more German easing later this year. Against the yen, the dollar remains stalled at the JPY/USD 100 level. The

dollar could move a bit higher against the yen and the Dentschemark in coming weeks if international investors view signs of moderating U.S. growth as a plus for U.S. financial assets. But evidence of a renewed pickup in U.S.

capital outflows and a persistently large U.S. current account deficit suggests that the longer-term direction of

the dollar is down. We maintain our 12-month forecasts of

Technical View: The U.S. dollar was generally strong last

week, posting gains against the Japanese yen and the major European currencies. As a tesult, the dollar index railied

1.8 per cent for the period; this was its first gain in five weeks. This strength was enough to reverse short term

momentum oscillators from down to up Indeed, these

oscilators bave the potential to maintain this upward bias

for the next two or three weeks. This, in turn, could well

result in a turn in the currently oversold medium term

In addition, medium term sentiment for the dollar

recently reached its most oversold level in two years, and - together with the momentum configuration - might

well signal the imminent existence of a potentially impor-

tant bottom. Given that, in each of the past seven years,

the dollar index recorded important price or momentum

lows during the final four months of the year, the development of an important bottom in coming weeks

would have an historical precedent. Nearby resistance exists at 90.50 and 91.75. Benchmark support exists at

Pound sterling

Fundamental View: During an uneventful holiday-

shortened week, the British pound dropped a notch against the dollar. However, the weakness late in the week was

enough to begin to turn short-term momentum back down.

DM/USD 1.50 and JPY/USD 95.

ed only thirteenth in the world and third among developing countries in terms of its foreign investment.

A scant two years later, it had risen to second place, leading other large developing countries by a wide mar-

China's status as the big-

gest single market in the world has drawn the interest of U.S. corporations, which are seeking to establish themselves in the country. It is estimated that more than \$750 billion of infras-

tructure projects will start up in China before the end of the century.

A number of major inter-

national companies, includ-ing Coca-Cola Co., IBM, Motorola, Volkswagen and AT and T already have a direct investment in China. The 446-page U.N. report,

the fourth annual volume, said that China will probably remain a target of major investment. But the rate of investment growth "will depend largely on China's fu-ture political stability, the consistency of its economic policies... and the extent to which China will succeed in its transformation into a market economy.

India defends its skirts in U.S. market

NEW DELHI (AFP) - Export houses here are up in arms against a U.S. campaign for the recall of 250,000 Indian skirts from the U.S. market, saying it is aimed at slurring the gauzy garments and other local textile pro-

ducts. An Indian delegation has left for Washington to counter the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission's campaign to recall the rayon skirts from American retailers nationwide on the grounds they are a fire

The delegation will tell the U.S. officials of the efficacy of India's textile industry and reassure consumers of the quality of the skirts, now in disrepute because of the cam-

paign, officials said.
"We have too much at stake. We can't ignore this

Nayar, director of the Apparel Exports Promotion Council (AEPC).

Textiles account for more than a quarier of India's total overseas sales, which in the last fiscal year amounted to \$22 billion, and are the single largest item in the export

The AEPC, an apex government forum which regulates textiles exports, has accused the United States of using the skirts issue to impose protectionist barriers ahead of the progressive dismantling of quota systems in the post-GATT era.

The skirts are just a ploy to set up anti-import mea-sures," Mr. Nayar said of the U.S. consumer commission's Aug. 12 allegations that a fire started by a single match could consume one of the

The controversial skirts sell for between \$6 and \$80, and most are marked "Made in India" under the existing

quota system.
"We don't expect American girls to be stupid enough to go near a fire wearing these dresses, the executive quoted a letter written by a U.S. importer of the anklelength Indian skirts as saying.

India has ordered exporters to dispatch rayon skirts to the United States or elsewhere only after subjecting them to flammability tests. India's textile exports be-

tween April and June this year reached \$883.26 million against \$676.13 million in the corresponding period in 1993-94. The jump marked a growth of 30.06 per cent in

Textile exports last year

per cent rise over sales in fiscal 1992-93, textile ministry figures show.

Last June. India achieved 23 per cent of its \$10 billion target set for 1994-95's overseas sales of its textiles, yarn fabrics, clothing, handicrafts, jute and coir materials.
"But this firade has now

scared American consumers away from all Indian products." said Apparel Export Manufacturers' Association president Shankar Mazum-

Mr. Mazumdar said Indian garment manufacturers would have to spend at least \$3 million to woo back American women to Indian bouriques. "We need intense publicity to clear this slur.

"They have picked on our skirts... but there are many American products which

burn easily," Mr. Mazumdar said, adding that U.S. importers too were hit by the consumer panel's skirt-alert cam-

paign.
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"Indian skirts are elegant. They are smoother to the skin, they fit well and they sit well on the hips and the back, and they come off more gracefully than their Western cousins.

'Naturally, American businessmen are frightened of our garments," she added.

Colombo stop payment on foreign contracts

COLOMBO (AFP) — Sri Lanka has stopped payment on all foreign contracts pending investigations into multimillion-dollar deals made by the previous administration, Prime minister Chandrika Kumaratunga has said.

The new government has been given a 10-day grace period by the French-led Airbus Industries to review its purchase of five Airbus aircraft, Ms. Kumaratunga told lion and the World Bank had reporters here.

But here we are stuck with a rather definite international agreement." Ms. Kumaratunga said referring to the purchase agreement contracted by the previous United National Party voted out of office at the

nally estimated at \$750 mil-

reported that Sri Lanka could not go ahead with the purchase without adversely affecting the country's foreign deht servicing burden.

Ms. Kumaratunga said the previous regime had used 'unconventional methods" to sign a deal with Veontech of Russia to buy secondhand armoured vehicles, transport

planes and patrol craft at a

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Minister Senanayake said. Justice Minister G. L. Peiris said complaints were pouring in against former politicians and officials and he expected new legislation

to be in place within six weeks to try those accused of

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FORECAST FOR SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 3, 1994 By Thomas S. Pierson, Astrologer, Carroll Righter Foundation

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GENERAL TENDENCIES: Make certain that you are in touch with friends today that need your help with a delicate problem. Make sure that you don't involve anyone in this matter that doesn't need to be included.

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TAURUS: (April 20 to May 20) Handle routine tasks which are important early in the day so you'll have time to engage in your favourite hobby later.

GEMINI: (May 21 to June 21) Concentrate on ways to improve your environment. Assist close ties in gaining their aims and gain their devotion for your efforts. MOON CHILDREN: (June 22 to July 21) You can now study you

surroundings and make plans for improvement. Have more compassion for others you come in contact with. LOE: (June 22 to August 21) Support friends who need your assistance at this time. Discuss practical matters with them and get their advice on important matters.

VIRGO: (August 22 to September 22) Study monetary dealings with others early in the day and be sure they are right. Make needed

its to your property to make it look good.

LIBRA: (September 23 to October 22) Morning is fine for planning recreations for later in the day. Be more considerate of the needs of family members who welcome your advice. SCORPIO: (October 23 to November 21) Get busy at uncompleted

tasks before going ahead with new projects. Plan how to gain you most cherished aims at desires.

SAGITTARIUS: (November 22 to December 21) Allow time to be with good friends before you pursue favourite hobby. Maintain a cheerful manner towards close friends and loved ones. CAPRICORN: (December 22 to January 20) This is an ideal day to enjoy yourself at recreations with congenial friends. Show others

that you are an excellent citizen. AQUARIUS: (January 21 to February 19) You can now launch a new project which could give you added income in the days ahead. Take

needed health treatments for your appearance. PISCES: (February 20 to March 20) You can keep promises sensibly now and in the evening put new ideas to work. Don't neglect routine chores around the house you must do.

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Aug. 16 election. The Airbus deal was origi-

Dollar may move a bit higher against yen, DM in coming weeks With medium term momentum attempting to peak as well, The following article, covering the period from Thursday Aug. 25, 1994 until Wednesday Aug. 31, the potential for an important correction has to be respected. In the meantime, benchmark support and 1994, is provided by Naser Nabulsi, private client

resistance levels remain unchanged.
Resistance exists near 97.20 Y/U.S.\$, then below 93. group at Merrill Lynch - Dubai First support is at 100.40-101.40, with major support at Overview 106-112. The pound gained against the DM recouping most of last week's losses to around DM 2.42. However, Fundamental View: The dollar moved up sharply to the renewed dollar weakness against the DM later this year is

expected to carryover to the pound.

We continue to expect a 50 BP rate hike by the Bank of England in October. This could give a boost to the pound. The U.K. economy is sound on the fundamentals: solid growth has been coupled with low inflation, subdued wage rises, and retailers cutting margins in the fight for market shares. With the U.K. posting strong GDP growth with low inflation, we maintain our forecast for the pound to appreciate to 1.60 U.S.\$ in six to twelve months time. Against the DM however, the pound could depreciate in tandem with the dollar.

Technical View: The British pound declined 1.2 per cent versus the U.S. dollar during the week ended Ang. 19. Sentiment is overbought and the currency continues to fluctuate within its long term trading range. Both short and medium term momentum oscillators appear to have peaked. Resistance remains at \$1.586 U.S.\$/L for the time being. First support exists near \$1.51; the lower end of the trading range at \$1.46 is second support. The DM cross rallied nicely last week and may well have reversed its larger downtrend as both short and medium term indicators appear to be bottoming. In that regard, resistance exists at 2.43-2.45.

Swiss franc

Fundamental View: The Swiss franc weakened against the dolair as the dollar rallied against the DM. From last week's new 1994 low for the dollar against the Swiss franc, the dollar rose to SF/U.S.\$ 1.33. The franc beld its own against the DM at SF/DM 0.84. Based on our expectation of DM strength against the dollar and its spill over to the franc, we expect the franc to appreciate to SF/U.S.\$ 1.26 in 12 months.

The franc should remain steady against the DM on the expectation that Swiss authorities would match any future German rate cut to avoid any npward pressure on the franc. The franc should also benefit from its safe haven status in the event of political uncertainties in Haiti or North Korea.

Technical View: The Swiss franc lost 2.7 per cent versus the greenback during the week ended Ang. 26 and was the weakest currency among the six we most regularly discuss. Sentiment remains overbought. Sbort term momentum bas likely peaked, and overbought medium term momentum

appears to be peaking.

Resistance temains at 1.23-1.26 SF/U.S.\$. Support exists at 1.355-1.39. The DM cross remains in its trading 1994 range. While short term momentum is constructive, medium term oscillators remain under pressure. As long as that condition exists, any nearby rally is not likely to have much staying power. Support is at .834-.838; resistance exists above .850.

Deutschemark

Fundamental View: The dollar had a strong showing against the DM, rebounding from last week's low to trade in the 1.57-1.50 range. The dollar could get an additional bounce if the Bundesbank cuts short-term interest rate. Even a small rate cut by the Bundesbank would bring U.S. short rates above German equivalent short rates. However, the medium term prognosis for the dollar is not favourable. Continued capital outflows from the U.S. and a persistently large U.S. trade deficit do not angur well for the dollar. The increased likelihood of Chancellor Kohl reelection should be a plus for the DM.

Also, with German inflation likely to fall to close to 2 pet cent per year, real interest rates in Germany are likely to remain highly competitive with U.S. rates. This should help keep the Deutschemark strong. We continue to look for the dollar to trade at the DM/U.S.\$ 1.50 level in 12 months.

Technical View: The Deutschemark lost 2.3 per cent against the U.S. dollar last week. Medium term sentiment is still generally overbought. Like the yen, the DM tested, hut did not break, its July high. Short term momentum appears to have peaked, while medium term oscillators are overbought and diverging in a negative fashion. The up trend line from the February lows remains intact, but the technical configurations suggest that the trend is mature and is in danger of reversing.

Strong resistance remains at 1.48-1.52 DM/U.S.\$. Last

week's decline brought the currency into support at 1.575-1.598. Against the yen, the D-mark recorded a minor breakdown last week. With short term momentum under pressure (even as medium term oscillators remain flat), further weakness over the near term appears indicated.

Overall, the dominant 11-month old trading range continues to call the shorts, with support at 59-60 and resistance in the area of 65-66.

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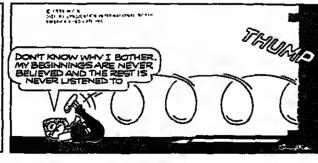
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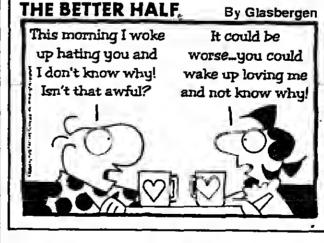


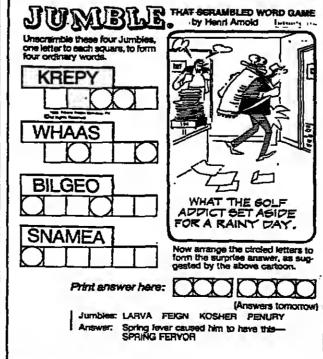
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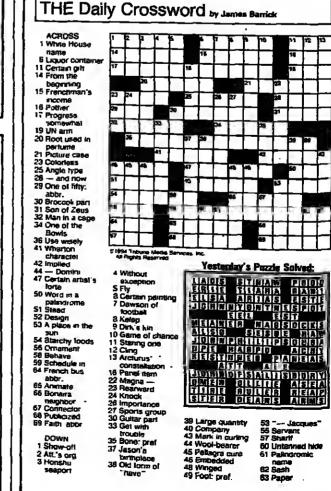


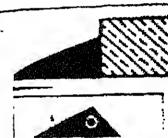












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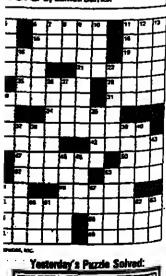
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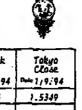
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Swiss Franc	1,3325	1.3500
French Franc	5.4135	5.4097**
Japanese Yes	100.19	100.01
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U.S. corporate mergers: marriages with touchy problems

WASHINGTON (AFP) — The merger of defence giants Lockheed and Martin Marietta is part of a growing trend toward corporate consolidation in the United States, but the deals are often like marriages: Some work,

others do not. In 1993, corporate mergers rose 2.4 per cent, while the value of the transactions increased by \$6 per eent, according to the brokerage firm Merrill Lynch. By all indications, 1994 will see a further acceleration of the trend.

In August alone. announcements were made on deals worth billions of

In addition to the Martin

Marietta-Loekhead agree-meot worth \$10 hillion

taking over American Cyanamid for \$9.7 hillion and SmithKline Beecham buying Sterling Winthrop for \$2.9

billion.

announced Tuesday, phar-

American Home Products

In the telecommunications sector, LDDS bought WilTel for \$2.5 billion and TCI merged with Telecable in a deal worth \$1.4 hillion.

But other deals have gone

hasis."

sour: On Monday, MCI and Nextel ended plans for a joint venture in wireless communications involving \$1.3 Earlier, TCI canceled

plans to merge with Bell Atlantie in a \$30 billion deal and Southwestern Bell ended its marriage plans with Cox Cable worth \$4.9 billion.

"There is not a pattern," said Margaret Blair, an

Institution. "There are an enormous amount of idiosyncratic factors that have to be worked out on a case-by-case

The deals that fail before being completed show the difficulties of merging two different corporate cultures. Analysis said the TCI-Bell

Atlantic deal seemed to be a marriage made in heaven. bringing together television and telecommunications. But the deal was called off several months later, with officials attributing the change to the new federal law regulating cable television rates.

The MCI-Nextel deal seemed to have a bright future as well. But Nextel's involvement with Motorola apparently irked MCI

riage, according to analysts.
Some deals that appear illogical or too expensive end up succeeding anyway. That was the case with ATT's purchase in 1991 of Japan's

NCR for \$7.9 billion. Other deals are born out of failed attempts at partnership. That was the case with CBS, which lost a battle for cahle shopping network QVC after being outbid by cable TV operator Comcast, then ended up in a merger with Westingbouse Broad-

"If anybody had a crystal ball, he would be very rich," Ms. Blair said. "There is an enormous amount of activity going on. Inevitably some of these will succeed and others won't, it's the law of trial and

Oman, Japan to set up ed fully by the private sector,

ABU DHABI (AFP) - Investors from Oman and Japan will set up two major joint to carry out projects in industry and other sectors as the Gulf state presses ahead with economic reforms, officials bave said.

Omani officials have approved applications from a number of Japanese com-

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panies to establish the two ventures, which follow the creation of Oryx, Oman's first investment fund with foreign equity this year.
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"Details of the two ventures Emirates semi-official daily said each fund would have a

two applications submitted by Japanese investors for the establishment of two joint funds," said an official from the Muscat stock market.

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will be published later." He did not mention their capital but the United Arab

capital of at least \$50 million.

Officials said the two funds would be similar to the Oryx, which has a capital of \$52 million and is 51 per cent held by Omani investors. The remaining stake is owned by British and other subscribers,

An international firm is carrying out a study on the future operations of the two new funds, which will be traded on the Muscat and Tokyo stock markets. Bankers said the Japanese

proposed such ventures following changes in the investment laws in the Oman, where the government has introduced more incentives to productive projects within the reform programmes. "The funds will largely be-

nefit the Omani economy as they will bring in Japanese technology," an Omani Bank manager told AFP by tele-

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The two funds, to be own-

electricity, hanking and other ventures. They are expected to be created this year, with the issue of shares in both countries with a value of around and

would invest in projects

covering several fields, in-

eluding industry, agriculture, infrastructure, water and

one Omani riyal (\$2.6) each. Oman is the only Gulf state to have approved such investment funds as part of sweeping economic reforms it launched two years ago to cushion weak oil prices that have created a persistent deficit in its budget.

The reforms focus on privatisation of key public institutions, improvement of investment laws, ppgrading the infrastructure, freeing interest rates and opening np the stock market to fore-

The sultanate, which produces 800,000 harrels per day of crude, has already sold five facilities to the private sector and is planning to privatise other institutions and set up major projects with private

They include a petrochemical project at a cost of between \$700 million and \$800 million, a \$200 million power plant and two sewage" treatment projects at a cost of ... more than \$725 million.

The reforms have sha boosted activity in the Muscat exchange, with the index hitting a record 140.24 points last week and turnover soaring to its highest level since the floor was opened in 1989.
In 1993, turnover jumped hy
66 per cent to \$182 million.
from \$109.2 million in 1992. The reforms have also.

started to affect the eco--nomy, with officials reporting a surge in the gross domestic product (GDP) over the past two years. From 7.6 per cent in 1991, the non-oil sector grew surged by 12 per cent in 1992 and nine per cent in the...first half of 1993.

Bankers said demand was still very high for the shares : of Oryx, which is also traded in London. They said the fund, which was oversubscribed when it was launched. this year, was studying several projects in Oman.
"More investment funds

could be created in future," one banker said. "1 think foreigners will be attracted by the new investment laws, which removed bureaucracy. Setting up such funds could now be decided only by the Muscat exchange instead of numerous departments."

Sabayek seeks loan 🧸

MANAMA (R) — The Saudi-based Gulf Ferroalloys Company (Sahayek) is seeking a 112 million riyal (\$29.9) million) loan to finance the building of a \$120 million metallic alloy plant, industry sources have said. A company official said work on the plant would start

this month and it would come on stream after 30 months. It will have a production capacity of 75,000 tonnes annually of ferrosilicon, ferromanganese, silicomanganese and silicon.

The sources said Bahrainbased Gulf International Bank (GIB) had offered a 67. million rival (\$17.9 million) loan for the plant, to be built in the Saudi industrial city of Jubail.

"Sabayek is seeking 112 million riyals and the GIB offer falls short of that. It might ask GIB to increase the amount offered or seek all or part of it from other banks." one source told Reuters by telephone from Saudi Ara-





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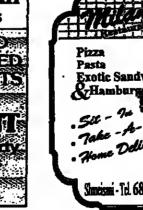
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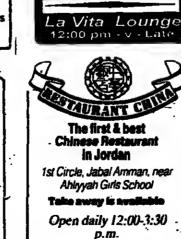
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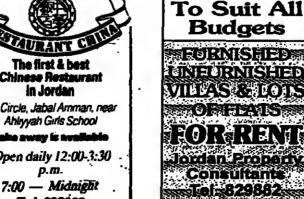
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Davenport dispatches Shriver at U.S. Open

to wave goodbye. Lindsay Davenpott in her stadium court debut at the U.S. Open, Pam Shriver in her likely farewell, both lingering to soak up the moment.

There wasn't much time for sentimentality during their first match against each other, a 6-1, 6-2 secondround wipeout by Davenport that lasted only 53 minutes. But it was long enough to see the tremendous promise of Davenport at 18 and to

feel a twinge of sorrow for Sbriver, whose many injuries prevented her from topping her own splashy debut here at 16 in 1978 when she reached the final and lost a close match to Chris Evett.

Shriver, a 6-footer who seemed gigantic when she turned pro and introduced the oversized prince racket to tennis, looked defenceless against the younger, taller, stronger Davenport after holding serve at love in the

"I will be surprised if I get out there again for singles," Shriver said. "I was feeling very small, very vulnerable. groundstrokes into the cor-

ners and moved fluidly and

efficiently, if not quickly, around the court as she won

BORDEAUX, France (AP)

- Four-time Tour de France

winner Miguel Indurain

broke the world record for

one-bour cycling Friday, covering 53.04 kilometres

(32. 96 miles) in his first

Indurain bettered the re-

cord of 52.713 kilometres

(32.76 miles) set last April by

Scotland's Graham Obree on

the same track. Obree had

taken the mark from Eng-

land's Chris Boardman, who covered 52.27 kilometres

(32.48 miles) in July 1993.

were track world champions.

Indurain was used to the

road, where he has domin-

ated the Tour de France, the

world's most prestigious cycl-

ing race, for the last four

Indurain dropped bebind the early pace of Obree and

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he was just 1.9 seconds be-hind, and I.1 seconds behind

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Both Boardman and Obree

attempt at the mark.

the point where Shriver curtapplauded a routine volley winner midway through the "I hate feeling like there is

sympathy clapping and sarcastic cheers," Shriver said. "I guess I want to try and keep my dignity, not get real-ly mad. I didn't want to cry. I don't think I made a fool of myself. She didn't cry and she didn't make a fool of herself. She wbacked the court with ber racket a couple of times to vent her anger, and got a little misty-eyed as she looked around before departing the stadium. She took off ber glasses, stopped, and hesitated a few seconds. Unlike Martina Navratilova at Wimbledon, she couldn't reach down for a blade of

"I may have chipped out a chunk of the court," she said, smiling now with a bulky ice pack on her shoulder.

"I caught myself a little bit by surprise," she said. "I was little emotional. You know, I think it has been an emotional few days, in general."

A few days ago. Shriver lost to Navratilova, her former doubles partner, in the race for the WTA presidency after serving earnestly in that post for the past three years. Shriver accepted the defeat and now must accept the approaching end of her

Davenpott's career is just blossoming, though she is already seeded no. 6 in the Open. She got to the fourth round here last year, and seems headed toward a quar-terfinal meeting with defending champion and top seed Steffi Graf, a 6-0, 6-2 victor

Thursday over Sandra Cacic. "I definitely want to get faster," said Davenport, who is in a training programme to bring down her weight from 165 pounds and tone up her muscles." I am a good player, but when I play the top play-ers, they really kind of ex-ploit that weakness pretty

"When I go out to play Steffi and Arantxa (Sanchez Vicario) it is pretty much an uphill battle. I don't think when I go out there, Oh, I am going to lose." But I don't think, "Oh. I will be off the court in an hour." I really have to be up for those matches and play my best tennis to win. That is a lot of pressure. Those two are the worst to play. The other play-

ers I am not so afraid of. In other women's matches, No. 7 Jana Novotna beat Karina Habsudova 6-2, 6-3; no. 10 Zina Garrison Jackson beat Paola Suarez 6-4, 6-3; no. 11 Amanda Coetzer beat

Eugenia Manikova 6-2, 6-0; and no. 15 Magdalena Maleeva beat Ruxandra Dragomir 7-5, 6-3.

In men's matches, unseeded three-time champion Ivan Lendl renred with back pain while losing 6-4, 7-6 (7-5), 1-0 to Bernd Karbacber; no. 9 Todd Martin beat Andrei Chesnokov 6-3. 6-2, 7-5; no. 13 Thomas Muster beat Maurice Ruah 6-4, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2; and no. 15 Marc Rosset beat Nicklas Kulti 6-4, 6-2, 6-7 (7-2), 6-2.

Lendl, asked whether this might have been his last U.S. Open, replied with typical

"It is always a chance." he said. "I may get run over by a car just outside — so may you. I'm bit quicker moving

Ricbey Reneberg, wbo knocked out Boris Becker in the first round, kept up his fine play with a 6-3, 7-5, 6-3 victory over Jordi Burillo.

"I have never really done that well in Grand Slams," said Reneberg, who has been far more successful in doubles than singles. "Just because I beat Becker, no one is going to roll over and give me matches.... I felt a little more pressure today. Fortunately, he made a few more unforced errors than he usually does and got a little bit impatient."



Steffi Graf of Germany serves against Sandra Cacic of the U.S. Thursday during their second-round match at the U.S. Open in New York. Graf won the match 6-0, 6-2 (AFP

JORDAN TIMES, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1997 Stewart gold Bebeto says he will stay with Deportivo

LA CORUNA, Spain (AP) Flamengo President Luiz Au.

— Brazilian World Cup bero gusto Veloso. Lendorio said Bebeto said Thursday be would stay one more season with the Spanish club Deportivo, unable to buy out his contract and return to Brazil.

"I'm a person with a big beart, so I've decided to come back one more season with Deportivo and try with my teammates to win the league — which is very important," Bebeto told repor-

Bebeto said he would return immediately to Brazil and would miss Sunday's season-opening game against Athletic de Bilbao. He is expected to begin

training Wednesday with the club, although it wasn't clear if he would be ready to play Deportivo's second game of the season against Sporting

Bebeto, who arrived in Spain last week and offered the club \$5 million to buy out the two years remaining on his contract, has refused to train and has been fined several hundred thousand dollars by Deportivo for his

Deportivo President Au-gusto Cesar Lendorio said Thursday he was unale to negotiate a deal with

he also met Thursday with Bebeto, who belped lead Brazil this summer to an unprecedented fourth World Care

agreement with (Brazilian club) Flamengo in the talks

we've bad. Therefore, Bebe-

to will stay with Deportivo de la Coruna," Lendorio said. The terms under which Bebeto will play one instead of two seasons with Deportivo were not immediately re-

News reports in Brazil said Veloso would offer \$6 million for Bebeto's two-year contract with Deportivo. Reports also said Veloso would enbance the deal by also offering a Flamengo player and the gate receipts from three or more exhibition

Bebeto, who played previously in Brazil with Flamengo and Vasco da Gama, said be wanted to return to Brazil where his wife and children were more

comfortable. The Brazilian striker has belped transform Deportivo in the last two season from a weak club to a contender.

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Indurain breaks record The Spanish rider overtook for World Obree's time at the 20th kilometres, 22:38.54 to

> From then on Indurain moved away from Obree's times. At the 25th kilometres, the Spaniard was 6.6 seconds ahead; at 30 kilometres he was 5.9

> By 40 kilometres the margin was up to 16.9 seconds and at 50 kilometres it was a

> bit more tban 20 seconds. Indurain had just passed the 53-kilometre barrier wben the hour ended. He took off his aerodynamic helmet and punched the air with his right hand while slowing

The crowd of nearly 2,000 at the Burdeaux-Lac Velodrome cheered him and Indurain gave a hug to his mechanic and team manager.

Indurain had prepared for the record over the past 10 days on a new hi-tech bike with special lightweight material with a carbon disc back wheel. To ride at the top speed for the distance Indurain had to adapt a position slightly different than he was used to in the Tour de

Dutch opt Cup squad

ROTTERDAM (R) -Familiar faces were missing from the Dutch squad named for next Wednesday's opening European Championship qualifier in Luxembourg, but coach Dick Advocat has opted for players tried and

tested in the World Cup. Ruud Gullit, Ronald Koeman, Frank Rijkaard and Jan Wouters, stars of the 1988 European Championshipwinning team, have all retired, and injury has put paid to Marco van Basten, Dennis Bergkamp and Gaston Tau-

Milan-based Berkamp is recovering from a back injury, Taument has a sore thigh, and van Basten is plagued by a long-term ankle

injury.
All 16 players named by Advocate to play Luxembourg in the Group Five match were part of the squad for the World Cup finals in the United States earlier this

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Cousteau says athletes should aspire to compete, not cheat

PARIS (AP) — Jacques Cousteau says he longs for thd days when athletes competed for the sake of patticipation and perfection instead of cheating with drugs

and money for stardom. "At the sight of a masterly pole vault or at the finish line of a 400-metre dash... I shake with pride to belong to the human species," the 84-yearold marine explorer told the International Olympic Committee (IOC) Friday.

"But today the Olympic adventure is immersed in multiple, perty problems that must not mask its deep significance." he said at the 12th IOC Congress. "The 'gods of the stadium' are confronted with training that is more and more sevete, with the temptation to use drugs, with television and media of all types. with the powers of money. with parasites that surround them, and with the adulation of crowds. Their only protection from so much aggression

remains, for most, the love of Speaking on the final working day of the first IOC Congress since 1981. Cousteau continued criticism of money and commercialisation corrupting the ideals of

We live in a market economy where everything is for sale — champions, even teams, just like consciences. he said. "Is the adulation of crowds not enough of a stimulant, as it seems to have been in ancient times? Why. in modern days, did it have to be replaced by an eternal cohott of conflicts, irritation

and violence?" The Olympics nevertheless provide the opportunity for the world's youth to strive for better personal performances, he said.

"Swarms of young people, thanks to the games, lead a healthier, more ardent life. Cousteau said. "Some will be disappointed, others proud. will have participated, many will feel compelled to do better, in all fields."

Also France's spotts minister warned Thursday that money can corrupt Olympic athletes, while the IOC defended aggressive commercialisation as necessary to spread Olympic values.

Money and the media can fuel the same kind of corruption that destroyed the ancient Olympic Games, said French Sports Minister Michele Alliot-Marie.

"In order to win at all costs which is the condition of media coverage and thetefore financing — any means will do both for spottsmen and the groups which back them." Alliot-Marie said in a keynote speech.

The ancient Olympic Games died from these diseases: Money. corruption sne said.

But Dick Pound, a powerful IOC member from Canada and chairman of the IOC's New Sources of Financing Commission, said outside financing of Olympic Games and programmes is neces-

www. seek out sponsorship and commercialisation," he said in an evening news conference. "We recognise that we can't be uncritical about it, but it is essential to an international sports program-

"We believe we need in the spirit of competition, with its Olympic movement the autonomy that comes from financial independence." he said, calling Alliot-Marie's speech "a kind of challenge, someone saying there are some dangers. I don't see it

as a provocation. The IOC already has

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limitations on commercialisation, such as banning all stadium advertising and ads on athletes' bibs. Pound said. "There's a lot of promotion going on around the games. and we like that. There's no way we could promote the values of the games on our

The IOC announced Thursday the addition of the American firms Ups and John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. as the last of 10 sponsors to join the top III Programme. They committed some \$40 million each to funding Olympic programmes from 1993-96.

Sponsorship however is slipping, mostly because of the global sagging economy, said Brian Tobin, president of the International Tennis Federation.

"The downturn has been felt in Europe, especially Germany where large television rights and sponsorship fees have fallen away, and in Japan where large Japanese conglomerates were providing much of the sponsorship money for spott and the arts," he said,

Sponsorship could wane for other reasons if the IOC doesn't hold to a high moral standard, warned one of the IOC's biggest corporate backers: Coc-Cola.

The IOC must preserve the integrity that attracts major corporations to seek associations with the Olympic Games, said John Hunter, executive vice president of the Coca-Cola Co., in

another keynote speech.
"If the Olympic movement, for example, allows its 'product' — however defined to fall from its position as the number one sports even in the world, the motivation for a sponsor to seek association with it, becomes less," Hunter said.

Belkevich gets one-year ban

NEWS IN BRIEF

ZURICH (R) — Dynamo Minsk midfielder Valentin Belkevich was Thursday suspended from all UEFA competition matches for a year for using a banned drug, European soccer's governing body announced the punishment after a meeting of its control and disciplinary committee, who banned Belkevich until Sept. 2, 1995. A UEFA statement said a urine test carried ont after the UEFA Cup preliminary round match between Dynamo Minsk and Hibernians of Malta last month revealed traces of the anabolic steroid nandrolone. Subsequently, an analysis carried out on the second, or B, sample provided by the Belarus International confirmed the positive result of the A sample. Nandrolone is among UEFA's list of banned substances. Dynamo Minsk have also been fined 50,000 Swiss francs (\$37,590).

Portugal hit by injuries

LISBON (R) - An injured knee will keep Sporting midfielder Oceano Cruz out of Portugal's match against Northern Ireland Wednesday in their European soccer championship Group Six qualifier; officials said. Benfica striker Joa Vieira Pinto, who is recovering after a nose operation, and winger Paulo Futre of Italian first division club Reggiana, who is still out of action after a knee operation last year, have also been sidelined from the game in Belfast. Sa Pinto will replace Futra to make his international debut after transferring this season to Sporting from Salgueiros. Midfielder Paulo Sousa and striker Rui Costa who joined Italy's Juventus and Fiorentina respectively this season, arrived in Lisbon Thursday to join the national squad.

Jordan not to return for All-Star event

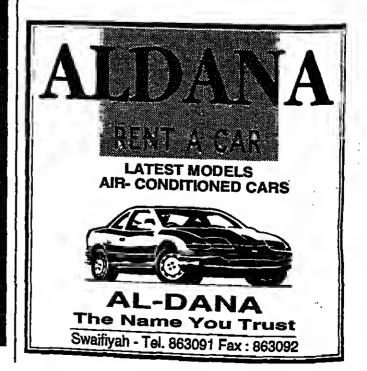
CHICAGO (R) — Michael Jordan will not take a break from his Minor League baseball stint to return to the basketball court for a charity game next week, the Chicago Bulls said Thursday. There bad been speculation that Jordan would join former NBA champion teammate Scottie Pippen who has organised the Ameritech All-Star classic at the Chicago stadium Sept. 9. In a brief announcement the Bulls said Jordan had asked the club to "inform all media that due to his baseball commitments he will not be able to play in that or any other charity basketball game." Jordan, who led the Bulls to three consecutive NBA championship before quitting the sport, has spent the season with the Birmigham Barons, a Chicago White Sox

Khan stays number one

LONDON (AFP) — Pakistan's Jansher Khan remains number one in the latest Professional Squasb Association world rankings. Englishman Philip Whitlock moves to two places to 10th, displacing compatriot Tony Hands, while Australian Rodney Eyles pulls level third with Peter Marshall of Engaind in the only positional change to the

Baresi named in Italian squad

ROME (R) — Veteran captain Franco Baresi was named Friday in Italy's squad for next Wednesday opening European Championship qualifier against Slovenia six weeks after saying he was quirting international soccer. Baresi, 34, who also captained European champions AC Milan, said be was retiring in July after Italy lost the World Cup final to Brazil in a penalty shootout in which both he and striker Roberto Baggio missed from the spot.



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Ireland's European 3,000m champion Sonia O'Sullivan

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the room they needed to explore whether they held the values for slam. South was afraid to bid four

no frump lest partner construe it as something other than Blackwood and the decision to leap to six hearts

is hard to fault.

West led the king of spades and when dummy appeared it was obvious to East that a shift might be urgently required. Not just any shift, but specifically, a diamond. Had North held a doubleton spade. East would have had to play a low card and hope partner found the right shift. As the cards lay, however, East had the upportunity for a

er. East had the opportunity for a stit-preference signal. East followed to the first trick with the queen of

spades, a request for partner to switch to the higher of the remaining side suits, in this case diamonds. West, duly obliged and declarer was down a trick almost before play started.

What other options were svailable to Fast A low scarde would ask

able to East. A law spade would ask for a club shift, the lower of the two side suits. And a middle spade would show no clear preference and allow

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63.60 points to win, cracked. On the final dive of the competition be overspun on his backward 2.5 sommersaults and could only manage 56.64 to finish with the silver med-

'Going into that last dive I was actually more concen-trating on holiding off Brian Earley for second place," Steward said.

"I thought Lan was too far ahead to be caught so I was more relaxed than I would have been if I thought I could have won it.' Not even the downpour

that came flooding through the roof of the press room and brought an abrupt end to Stewart's victory conference or the organisers' blunder that led to the wrong national anthem being played at the medals ceremony could dampen his spirits.
"I feel incredibly elated,"

he said, holding a plastic cup to catch the drips in one hand, his gold medal in the

Morceli chases Grand Prix bonanza

Javier Sotomayor is the

only one of his nearest rivals

likely to break a world record

but the Cuban high jumper

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Morceli, who said at the

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was keen to do just that.

"I was standing on the podium shaking. It probably won't sink in until tonight that I'm the world cham-

To stand there and watch the Zimbabwean flag going up was a very proud moment even if it was not the right one." Stewart laughed.

"They played God Bless Africa, which was the national anthem but it was changed last year."

Embarassed organisers explained the mix-up had come about because Zimbabwe's federation had not submitted a flag and anthem, as asked to by the International Swimming Federation. Instead they relied on a list supplied

Stewart, who could man-age only bronze in the event at the Commonwealth Games last month, also revealed a debt to the country

world and European cham-

pion Colin Jackson of Britain

against his American rivals.

dent Jean Poczobut said they

had not agreed any specific

sum for a world record but

world pole vault champion

Sergey Buhka was expected

to get \$50,000 if the Ukrai-

man raises his world mark to

Jim Mann, executive vice-

president of the sport's big-gest sponsor Mobil, said the

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had not shaken his firm's

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China in 1991 and the time I spent there really changed my diving. China taught me a lot about strength training and what I had to do in that area.

It's certainly paid off now."
Wei Lan refused to accept that he bad blown his chance of glory. "Evan has made great progress and you have to give him the credit for that," he said.

"I don't think I dived badly. I just did my average but

Evan dived exceptionally." While Evan was sheltering from the rain as best he could in the leaky building around the Foro Italico pool, his father Roh, who introduced him to the sport as a 7-yearold, was getting well and truly soaked as one of the indges for the women's 10m

Organisers finally allowed him to join his son's celebrations by postponing the event nntil Saturday.

Dutch opt for World

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Lebanese team shines at RJ show-jumping championships

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AMMAN — Lebanese Jockey Karim Fares won the Grand Prix competition of the Royal Jordanian International Clubs Show-Jumping Championships at the Ara-bian Horse Club Friday. Fares averaged a low of 1.5 mistake on his horse "Zoss" in the two-round competition marking the end of the nine contest event.

Jordanian riders Muna Sukhtian, Hani Bisharat and Ra'ed Nasser won the next three places respectively. Snkhtian, who came in second, made eight mistakes riding "Remos." Bisharat, riding "Fakher Al Arab" followed with 9.5 mistakes. while Nasser fell in fourth place with 11.5 mistakes on

Earlier in the day, two competitions were held. The Amra competition and the Dead Sea speed and handiness competition. Of the 33 riders participating in Amra competition, only 10 made it to the final stage.
Siham Oseili of Lebanon,

who collected four titles in the championships, won the first place with a 25.6 seconds after passing all the jumps without mistakes. She was followed by Jordan's Ibrahim Bisharat with 31.2. Hussein Muri from Qatar was third with 33 seconds.

The Dead Sea competition was dominated by Lebanese riders George Aboud who passed the jumps in 59.2 seconds. Oseili came close to winning on her horse "Ziado," fell short by 0.2 seconds, clocking 59.4. Faris, won the third place with 62.7 seconds on his horse "Charlie Brown."

The three-day event saw 10 countries — Qatar, Syria, Lebanon, Egypt, Tunis, Germany, Belgium, France, Irland in addition to Jordan participating in nine different

On Thursday's, Oseili shined again when she passed 40 competitors and captured the two-pbase-Rum competition. In the first stage the riders had to pass all the inups without any time limits. Those who did, moved to the second stage where they have to cross all the barriers with the least num-

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centimetre jnmps on her borse Ziado, In the Petra Club contest sixteen riders representing four teams from Jordan,

Syria, Lebanon and Qatar took part. The results of the best three riders in the twostage competition were taken. The jnmps were 130 centimetres in height and the riders had only 82 seconds to finish each stage. The Qatari team won the

first place, followed by the Lebanese team. The Jordarian team was third and the fourth place was occupied by the Syrian team. The third competition of

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who was riding Al Abhar, won first place. Jessica Chesney of Ireland riding Salam came in second and Oseili left a Lehanese mark on her borse "Karris" for third

In the first day of the competition, Oseili impressed the crowd by capturing two titles. In the Jerash competition, she gathered 44 points in 67 strongly in the Moaah hit and winners.

harry competition passing 120-centimetre jumps in 28 seconds. The final event on Wednesday was the Dome of the Rock compension which was won by Qatar's Jockey

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MEA cockpit crews strike, 2,000 stranded

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) - Flight crews of Middle East Airlines, Lehanon's national carrier, went on strike Friday demanding a pay increase, stranding more than 2,000 travellers bound for Europe, North Africa and the Gulf states at Beirut airport. Aviation officials said urgent negotiations were underway to resolve the crisis, which negotiations were underway to resolve the crists, which reflects Lebanon's economic woes in the aftermath of its 1973-1990 civil war. The open-ended strike by 300 pilots and flight engineers grounded at least 10 MEA jetliners bound for Zurich, Frankfurt, Paris, Larriaca, Karvait, Abu Dhabi and Tunis. MEA has 16 operational pilotes. Hundreds of gassengers crammed the airport departure lounge, many frantic because they will miss connections to the United States and Canada. The strike was launched at the height of Lebanon's annual summer travel rush, when thousands of Lebanese who live abroad return to visit relatives. The walkout did not affect other airlines. But few of the stranded travellers were able to get seats on other flights because these were already full. Most foreign carriers have resumed flights to Beirut despite a U.S. aviation and travel ban imposed after the 1985 bjacking of a Trans-World Airlines jetliner to Beirut in which a U.S. navy diver was killed. MEA's cockpit crews have long been demanding an adjustment of salaries to cope with the soaring post-war cost of living. MEA officials and the strikers declined to disclose what cockpit crew pay scales are or how much the strikers are demanding. But aviation sources said an MEA captain averages around \$8,000 a month in salary. The company, which is predominantly owned by the state, contends it cannot afford to meet the strikers' demands at it struggles to rebuild following the war. MEA Chairman Abdul Hamid Fakhoury said last month the company lost \$5 million in the first seven months

Hizbollah attacks are bigger, better - Israel

TEL AVIV (AFP) — Pro-Iranian Hizbollah guerrillas are launching bigger and better assaults against Israeli forces in southern Lebanon, according to northern commander Major General Yitzhak Mordechai. "Hizbollah has moved from squads to larger units of between 15 to 20 and sometimes as many as 30 terrorists," Gen. Moraechai told Israeli military reporters on Thursday evening. "Hizbollah uses mortars and tries to attack several positions simultaneously with the aim of spreading the fire ... over a wide area to mislead and then concentrating on the real point of attack. He refuted claims that the army bad eased up in southern Lebanon taking into account the Middle East peace process. "I am not aware of any Hizbollah bases io southern, Lebanon, Hizbollah hides or mingles with the civilian population or is in areas which are very far from the point of cootact." Geo. Mordechai explained at a northern border command post. Nonetheless, be said, the organisation had suffered heavy casualties in almost daily eocounters. Israeli forces had killed at least 83 this year and wounded a further 70, the general said. "As long as there is no political solution we bave to find all the ways and means both inside and outside the zone to strike against the terror which operates against us."

S. Africa police arrest suspects in Iranian murders

EAST LONDON, South Africa (R) — Two men have been arrested in connection with the killings of three Iranians at a Baha'i prayer meeting at a South African black township in March, police said on Friday. Iranians Houshmand Anvari, 43, Shamam Bakshandegi, 29, and Riaz Razavi, 44, were sbot dead on March 13 by black guanteen who separated them from black worshippers at Midantsahe township near the Indian Ocean port of East London Police Lieutenant-Colonel Garry Nieuwenhuis told Reuters the two suspects would appear in court on Monday when their names would be made public. At the time of the attack police said it could be the work of the Azinian People's Liberation Army (APLA), the military wing of the radical Pan Africanist Congress (PAC). The gunmen were believed to bave killed the Iranians, who had been in South Africa for several years, because they appeared to be white.

6 killed, 36 injured by police fire in India

NEW DELHI (AFP) - Six people were killed and 36 others injured Friday when police opened fire at protesters demanting a tribal homeland in northern Utter Pradesh state, the Press Trust of India (PTI) said. The shooting occurred in the resort town of Mussorie after madreds of activists demanding a tribal state in Uttar Pradesh's mountaining Garwhal and adjoining regions attacked a paradilitary camp, PTI said. The attackers Wefe also protesting a caste-based employment quota system. I:day's violence came a day after police shot dead three homeland activists in Nainital, another Uttar Pradesh tourist town, 225 kilometres northeast of New Delhi. Witnesses said among those killed was a government official who was accidently shot at by the police and then battered to death by the attackers. A government spokesman in the Uttar Pradesh state capital Lucknew placed Friday's toll at five and said the police offened fire when some 300 protesters attacked the parameters camp.

Module docks with Mir space station

MOSCOW (AFP) - A cargo module carrying food and fuel successfully docked Friday with the orbiting Russian Mir-space station, ITAR-TASS said, saving the mission as well as millions of dollars in contracts with foreign partners. The successful docking came after two previous attempts since Aug. 27 failed, promptiog Russian space officials to warn that the future of the Russian space programme was contingeot on Friday's attempt.

Israel asks PLO to arrest Hamas suspects

GAZA (R) — Israel pressed PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat on Thursday to arrest Islamic militants who killed two Jews in central Israel last week. "We would like to see as quickly as possible the ... murderers put into prison," Israeb Housing Minister Binyamin Ben Ebezer told reporters after a meeting with Mr. Arafat in the PLD leader's headquarters in Palestinian-ruled Gaza. Israel has been demanding that Palestinian police crack down on the militant Hamas group and band over guerrillas who carry out attacks against Israelis in Gaza or who flee there after attacks inside Israel. Hamas claimed responsibility for killing two Jewish workers at a building site in the central Israeli town of Ramle last Friday. Israel believes they escaped to the Gaza Strip. "Definitely, I tried to explain to Mr. Yasser Arafat that the accident (that) happened in Ratale ... was the breaking point that happened in the feelings of the Israelis," Mr. Ben-Eliezer said.

Muslim TV precher campaigns against conference

CAIRO (AFP) - A Muslim preacher known to millions of Egyptian television viewers has joined the campaign against the U.N. World Population Conference, opposition newspapers reported Friday. Sheikh Mohammad Metwely Al Shaarawy said io ao interview published by the Islamic hewspaper Al Sbaab and the liberal daily Al Wafd that the conference was a "demonstration against Islam." "When I read the draft resolution, I was shocked. And then I said Maybe God ruled that this conference be held in Egypt so we can give them burning answers to what the draft says, be said. Sheikb Shaarawy, who has a highly-rated weekly television show in which he interprets verses from the Holy Koran to worshippers in a mosque, is the latest in a line of conservative and radical Muslims to denounce the conference. The Muslim opponents say the draft resolutions of the conference, which opens here on Monday, violate Islamic principles by condoning abortion, extra-marital sex and homosexuality.

Thailand detains leader of banned Islamic sect

followers of an Islamic sect lier told them they would be banned in Malaysia were being deported to Malaysia, where transferred on Friday night to Mr. Ashaari's teachings have Thailand's special branch been banned since 1988. Mr. police headquarters from Ashaari has lived in self-Bangkok airport where they imposed exile in Thailand since bad awaited deportation all day, a sect official said.

Malaysian immigration offipassports of the sect members, clearing the way for their depottation from Thailand.

The whereabouts of the sect's leader Ashaari Mobammad - previously thought 10 available for comment. be joining the group at the airport — were unknown. Sect members believed be could be waiting for them at the special

Thai police and officials intercepted Asbaari Mohammad and other members of the Al Argam sect while they were travelling to the northern town of Chiang Mai, said Mr. Ashaari's press secretary Jailani Jasmani

Mr. Asbaari was separated from the rest of the group early in the day and taken by force to a government aircraft bound for Bangkok, Mr. Jasmani told Reuters. The rest followed from Chiang Mail. Instead of joining the group at the airport as expected, Mr.

Ashaari was still unaccounted for several hours later. Mr. Jasmani said the leader was believed to be at a special branch police office in Bang-kok. The branch, which deals with political issues, refused to

"They took Abuya (Ashaari) in quite a rude manner, with none of bis belong-ings or medicine," Mr. Jasma-ni said. "We are very worried about bis condition.

The rest, including Mr. Jasmani. were told they were heading to join Mr. Jasmani at the special branch headoffice in Bangkok.

Mr. Jasmani said he hoped the move meant that immigration officials had heeded their

BANGKOK (R) - Eleven Mr. Jasmani said police earthat ban.

National police chief Pratin Santiprapob told reporters cials had earlier cancelled the they were detained only because their passports were revoked. "This is not an arrest," Chief Pratin said.

No interior ministry or foreign ministry officials were Malaysian authorities ban-

ned the group last month, branding Mr. Ashaari's Sufi mysticism as a "deviationist" cult and declaring it a threat to public order. The sect claims 100,000 fol-

lowers in Malaysia and many more elsewhere in Asia and the Middle East. It believes Mr. Ashaari is destined to lead a great Islamic revival that will begin in Malaysia, sweep southeast Asia and herald the arrival of an Islamic messiah in Uzbekistan.

Al Argam bas amassed \$115 million from dozens of businesses and runs 48 communes and more than 250 schools in Malaysia.

Mr. Jasmani said on Friday the sect was not afraid to go back to Malaysia but wanted the freedom to choose where they were deported to. "Why are we being treated this way? We are not criminals. We have not refused to cooperate," he

In Kuala Lumpur, police detained eight Al Arqam follow- Qadhafi salutes troops during a military paraers on Friday for distributing de in Tripoli for the celebration of the 25th pamphlets outside mosques.

An Al Argam spokesman said another 25 members had been arrested in Malaysia's central state of Pahang and on the northern Island of Penang since Thursday for distributing literature about the group.
Nearly 300 members of the

group have been arrested for distributing banned material; appeal to give them a few days and released on bail since Aug. to prepare their departure and 5, when Malaysian religious choose which country to go to. authorities outlawed the sect.

PLO licenses An Nahar

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AFP) - The Palestinian authority bas given permission for the pro-Jordanian An Nahar newspaper to publish again more than a month after closing it down, a PLO "minister" said Friday.

"They applied to us for the right to publish and we have agreed, Justice Minister reib Abu Middein told

"There is no problem. They can start again any he added.

The authority shut the daily at the end of July after an Ísraeli-Jordanian déclaration which recognised special rights for Jordan over Muslim

sites in Jerusalem. It was the first clampdown on the Arabic press since autonomy was launched in the Gaza Strip and West Bank town of Jericho on May 4 and provoked a storm of complaint.

PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat's authority in Gaza said An Nahar pursued a line "harmful to Palestinian national interests."

At the newspaper offices in East Jerusalem, management said the newspaper should be back on the streets soon. "The PLO granted permission yesterday and we could

be out as early as Monday," one editor told AFP. Management denied agreeing to any conditions set

by the authority to return for being allowed to reappear. An Nahar claimed a circulation of between 12.000 and 15,000 but the true figure

was believed to be about half

At the same time, the Palestinian aothority has given the Islamic Resistance Movement, Hamas, permission to publish a new daily newspaper called 'Pales-tine', Mr. Abu Middein said.

Palestinian police detain five DFLP activists

GAZA (R) — Palestinian security forces in Gaza have detained five activists of a leftist opposition guerrilla group that claimed its gunmen had fired at an Israeli soldier, activists said on Fri-

The Damascos-based Democratic Front for the Liberatioo of Palestine (DFLP) issued a statement saying the five activists were arrested at their homes in Gaza's Jabalya refugee camp. It demanded they be released immediate-

"The Democratic Front previously warned that the Palestinian police is taking the role which shows they protect the (Israeli) occupation. We warn these policies

will ignite the flare of internal strife," the DFLP statement Palestinian police officials were not available to com-

The DFLP, which opposes the Israel-PLO peace deal, said two days ago its men fired at and wounded an Israeli soldier in the Palestinian self-rule area of Gaza.

Israelis confirmed that shots

were fired at Israeli soldiers

but said no one was hurt. Israel has been pusbing Palestine Liberation Organisation Chairman Yasser Arafat to crack down on guerrillas who attack Israelis. Mr. Arafat has said he wants to try to draw the radicals ioto the peace process.

Israel pledges more money for Palestinians

TEL AVIV (AP) — Israel promised Friday to provide more money to the financially strapped Palestinian selfrule government in Gaza and Jericho, without mentioning a specific sum.

Finance Minister Avraham Shohat made the pledge during a meeting with Palesti-nian counterpart Mohammed Nashashibi in Shohat's Jerusalem office.

Israel has so far given the autonomy government about 13 millioo shekels (\$4 million), but the Palestinians are demanding tens of millions of dollars more that they say Israel collected from Palesti-

mian workers over the years. Mr. Nasbashibi said Israel promised to 'clear the amouots that are due" to the Palestinians. He gave no target date or figures.

Israel radio said Mr. Sho-

hat promised to provide ao unspecified amount of money after the Jewish new year next week.

The Palestinians are short of funds because they have not begun collecting taxes and foreign donors have withheld the bulk of \$600 million in aid promised this year. The donor countries are demanding stricter Palestioian accounting procedures.

links between Israel and Tuoisia were opened at that The announcement Thursday that Israel and Morocco are to open liaison offices in a first step toward estbalishing full diplomatic relations came a month after Jordan signed a

peace declaration with Israel and followed the launch of Palestinian self-rule in May. The liaison bureau, one stage above an interests section, will openin Tel Aviv and Rabat before a Middle

East economic summit in Casablanca on Oct. 31-Nov.1. foreign ministry officials said. Prime Minister Yitzhak

Robin will affend the opening session of the summit and Foreign Ministr Shimon Peres will stay on. Israel's diplomatic efforts

will now focus on Tunisia. A senior foreign ministry official said: "You should ex-



led a bloodless coup in 1969, that ousted king Idriss while the monarch was out of the

the Hague.

Libyan 'party' angers France

TRIPOLI (R) - Libya's celebrations marking Muammar Qadhafi's 25 years in power have further soured its relations with France, the only major Western nation with diplomats still in Tripoli.

French Charge d'Affaires Alain Azouaou boycotted Col. Qadhafi's keynote speech on Thursday night after Libyan teenagers marched over the French, U.S. and British flags during a mock battle watched by the

Libyan leader.
Diplomatic sources said on Friday that Mr. Azouaou, who witnessed Wednesday night's mock battle, boycotred the speech after receiving instructions from Paris.

He protested to Libvan officials about the incident at he time but was told be had oot been invited to the event and was not supposed to have witnessed it, the sources

France, one of three Western states in dispute with Libya over airliner bombings, is the only one which still bas an ambassador in Libya. The ambassador was absent in Paris for an annual ambassador's conference.

The United States and Britain cut diplomatic ties with Libya in the mid-1980s after a series of disputes. Relations with the West

worsened when Libya refused to band over two Libyans suspected of iovolvement in the 1988 Lockerbie airliner bombing over Scotland in which 270 people were killed.

France demanded Libyan

cooperation with iovestigations into a 1989 blast which killed 171 people oo a Freoch

plane over Niger. Libya denied involvement in the blasts but the U.N. Security Council, at the insistence of the Unites States, Britain and France, imposed sanctions against it. They include an air and arms blockade and the freezing of Libyan assets abroad.

Col. Qadhafi and the presicons. Qaunan and the presi-dents of Algeria, Sudan and Chad attended the Wednes-day night rally in Tripoli's main stadium during which dozens of youngsters staged a mock battle between Libya and the West - which Libya eventually won.

The battle was shown on Libyan television with voungsters carrying Col. Qadhafi's portrait marching across the flags.

Mr. Azouaou had gone to the stadium as a result of confusion over which eveots he had been iovited to attend. He attended Thursday's military parade but received instructions from Paris the same day to boycott the remaining official ceremonies, the sources said.

Col. Qadhafi, 52, is revered by followers at home as "a guide for the whole of bumanity," bailed as a hero by revolotionary movements around the world and dismissed as "a "mad dog" by his' foes in the West.

The dominant theme of the anniversary celebrations was defiance of the West and sanctions. Col. Qadhafi on

Tunisia (as with Morocco) in

the coming weeks."

Mr. Rabin sent an envoy to

Tonis a week ago and he met

President Zine Al Abidine

Deputy Foreign Minister

Yossi Beilin became the first

Israeli official to make a pub-

lic visit to Tunisia in July

when he attended multilater-

al peace talks. Telephone

Ben Ali, the official said.

Thursday night excluded any handover of the two Lockerbie suspects for a trial in the United States or Britain.

"This is impossible. Like they say there is no justice in Libya, we say there is no justice in the United States and Britain," be said. Libya has said it sees no objectioo to the two standing trial before a special court in

Notable absentees at the 25th anniversary celebrations were Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak, Tunisia's Zine Al Abidine Ben Ali, King Hassan of Morocco and Syria's Hafez Al Assad.

All attended the 20th anniversary celebrations but were represented this time by delegations at ministerial level.

Also absent from the celebrations was Palestine Liberation Organisation leader Yasser Arafat, a regular guest at past anniversary celebrations. Mr. Arafat, wbose self-rule deal with Israel has angered Libya and Palestinian and Arab radioals, was not invited for the first time.

During bis address, Col. Oadhafi spoke in favoor of occotiations to resolve problems.

He said that while Libya supported the Irish Republican Army's cause it was no longer arming it. If Tripoli were directing the IRA, he added, it would urge it to balt its military operations if there was a chance of a settlement

by peaceful means. Israel wants ties with

Muslim states worldwide By Jean-Luc Renaudie Agence France Presse

TEL AVIV — Israel hopes the diplomatic breakthrough with Morocco will lead to ties first with Tunisia, then with Gulf states and more Musisim nations in Asia.

"We may soon open Israeli interests sections in Arab countries," foreign ministry director-general Uri Savir said Friday.

> However, Tunisia postponed opening an interests section in the Belgium embassy in Tel Aviv a few months ago after a leak in the Jewish press. Israeli radio said. In the Gulf, Israel bas

already set up an extensive network of contacts. Last April, Mr. Beilin scored another first when he went to Oman for multilateral talks. No Israeli officials had been there since Israel

was created. Mr. Peres met his counterpart from Qatar, Hamad Ben Jassem Ben Jabr Al Thani, in

New York last October and then in January in London. The fallout from the Middle East peace process since Israel signed the Declaration 1993, bas also been felt io

With India and China opening diplomatic relations with Israel in Januiary 1992 following the break-up of the Soviet empire, other Asian states have opened more or less discreet contacts.

A brother of the king of Malaysia, Rajah Abdullah. paid a private visit to Israel in mid-June and met Mr. Rabin and Mr. Peres, although he ran into trouble back home. Israeli state television re-

ported a secret meeting in Paris between Mr. Rabin and the Malaysian Prime Minister Mahathir Mohammad in early July. Mr. Rabin also stopped

over in Indonesia, the world's most populous Muslim contry, last October as he re-

turned from Beijing. He met President Suharto. even though Jakarta like Kuala Lumpur has no rela-

tions with the Jewish state. In January 1993, Kyrgyzstan President Askar Akaev became the first bead of state of an Islamic country to visit Israel since the late Egyptian President Anwar Sadat did so

in December 1977. Kyrgyzstan opened diplomatic relations with Israel in March 1992.

Volcanic mud buries village

SAN FERNANDO, Philippines (AFP) — Policemen firing guns into the air foreibly evacuated more that 4,000 people near this northern town after a mud avalanche from the Pinatubo volcano buried their village, police said Friday. The men of Manibaug Pasig at first refused to leave their bomes as the mudflow lapped up to their doorsteps on Monday, forc-ing police to scare them into boarding trucks sent to evacuate them, police spokesmen said. The mud came from the flanks of Pinatubo, which erupted io 1991 killiog oearly 1,000 people and affecting climatic pat-terns worldwide. Heavy rain loosens the deposits of volcanic debris from the mountainsides, posing an ever-present threat to nearby villages during the wet season.

Indonesian minibus hit by train

JAKARTA (R) — Eleveo Indooesians were killed when their minibus was bit by an express passenger train to Indooesia's Central Java Province, the Antara News Agency reported oo Friday. Antara said the minibus, chartered by the group to attend a religious gathering, stalled in the middle of the train tracks near Kedungbener village on Thursday and could not b e pushed off before the train appeared. The crun id vehicle was dragged ore than 500 metres du.... the tracks before the train stopped.

11-year-old murder suspect found slain

CHICAGO (AP) — His nickname was "Ynmmy." In a short life filled with abuse, he was prosecuted at least eight times for crimes before police sought him in a shooting spree that left one teenager dead and two others wounded. Officers found Robert Sandifur in a pool of blood beneath a railroad overpass Thursday. He was 11. Robert's body - not yet 1.52 metres, not quite 31.7 kilogrammes — lay about seven blocks from where police believe he opened fire Sunday at two different groups of boys, fatally hitting a 14-year-old girl, Shavon Dean, about 9 metres from ber home. Robert was suspected of baving gang ties. and two gunshot wounds one to the back of the bead, one to the top — led police to suggest fellow gang members bad killed bim. Authorities had a suspect in the boy's slaying. Solemn neighbours gathered around the pool of Robert's blood in the south side neighbourhood of neat yards and well-kept homes. "This is our problem." Valerie Jordan said. "The authorities and the system have failed. This is our child. The yoong lady that was killed, that was our baby." In the last two years, Robert was prosecuted for robbery, car theft, arson, burglary and other crimes. He was convicted twice, but, except for three weeks of detention, he only got probation. Robert was no stranger to the state's child welfare agency, either. A 1986 investigation by the Department of Children and Family Services found scars on Robert's face, cordlike marks on bis abdomen and

leg, and cigarette burns on his buttocks. Robert was taken from his mother and placed with his grandmother, who nicknamed him "Yummy" for his love of cookies. Complaints that she was not supervising the boy led to his placement in a juvenile facility in 1993. But be ran away. In July a judge returned Robert to his grandmother until the boy could be put in an out-of-state detention centre that permits looking in or physically restraining children. Dr. Elva Poznanski, chief of child psychiatry at rusb Presebyterian St. Luke's Medical Centre in Chicago. said she's seeing more violence among young children, many the products of abusive homes. "If you don't provide some way to raise these kids to be useful citizens your to going to spend a hell of a top of money on the other end she said. Robert's grandmother, Janie Fields, became bysterical before she shut the door on reporters. "I really can't say what I'm going through." she said.